



Decatur Heights Highlights

News & Events in Our Decatur Heights Neighborhood

August 2011

- ❖ Announcement Line & Voicemail: 404-220-9777
- ❖ Website: www.DecaturHeights.wordpress.com

Welcome to Decatur Heights Highlights!

This monthly information source is provided as a service to Decatur Heights residents who do not currently use the Internet. It is distributed by hand and via mail upon request. If you do have regular Internet access, please join Decatur Heights' big lively Google group. Contact us at DecaturHeightsNeighbors@gmail.com, and we'll show you how.



Neighborhood Meeting – August 11

When: Thursday, August 11th, 7:00-8:15

Where: The Church at Decatur Heights (735 Sycamore Dr.)

Join your neighbors on August 11th to get the latest scoop on Decatur Heights news, events, and committees. Please stop by to greet to our District 1 Commissioner, Fred Boykin, who will be on hand to share Safe Routes to School information. Plus, there's more! The evening will also feature a home energy efficiency mini workshop coordinated by Lena Stevens, the City of Decatur's Resource Conservation Coordinator. City staffers, officials, and neighbors living throughout Decatur are always welcome at Decatur Heights meetings and events.



Parents & Kids Committee

It's back-to-school time, and the committee is gearing up for fun, informative events. Look for a kid-fabulous block party in September when the weather cools down, plus a meeting in August to get general committee work rolling. For more information, contact Natalie Snedden through the DHNA announcement line (404-220-9777) or e-mail address (DecaturHeightsNeighbors@gmail.com). We'll post details via phone and Internet as more info becomes available.



August Neighborhood Business Spotlight

Greer-Harrison Estate Management

From our neighbor, Terry Greer: "Greer-Harrison is an estate management company specializing in transitional seniors and their families. We can take care of all your estate needs including inventory, decluttering, organizing, packing, shipping, storage and removal, plus on-site estate auctions." To contact Terry, call 404-921-8084 or visit <http://www.wix.com/seniorservices/greer-harrisonestatemangement>.



Park & Garden Committee

August Park & Garden Wish List

- Swing set or playscape
- Picnic table or patio set in good condition (for the Park area)
- Wheelbarrow or wagon ♦ pitchfork ♦ shovel ♦ other yard tools

A tax donation receipt is available for wish list items or contributions of money. Please keep us in mind if you're contemplating landscaping changes. We'll happily give your displaced plants a new home!

For information on how to adopt a plot, contribute your skills, or donate materials, contact Deanne Thomas via the DHNA Announcement Line at 404-220-9777 or write DecaturHeightsNeighbors@gmail.com.



Neighborhood Watch Update

By Deanne Thomas

We're making good progress in setting up our Neighborhood Watch! If you haven't yet enrolled and would like to participate, please notify your block captain or leave your contact information on the DHNA announcement line. We'll get you signed up pronto! The Neighborhood Watch, besides being a good crime prevention tool, also provides a nice way to get to know your neighbors.

The block captains by area (as of 7/31/11):

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| • Oak Lane | Meghan Egger |
| • Mountainview St. | Eleanore Kulers |
| • Ridgeland Ave./Fairview St./Hickory St. | Natalie Snedden & Barbara Hall |
| • 211-444 Sycamore Dr. | (Open position) Deanne Thomas |
| • 503-647 Sycamore Dr. + 116-132 Pinehurst St. | Red Clayton & Soren Christiansen |
| • 704-820 Sycamore Dr. | Grace Ann Young |
| • 829-849, 852, 856, 860, 864 Sycamore Dr. | Joanne Gillespie |
| • 857, 861, 865, 904-936 Sycamore Dr. | Alison Kyle |

Seeking block captains for:

- E. Ponce De Leon Ave 904-1104
- Forkner Drive
- Hillcrest Ave
- Poplar St.
- Apartment Groups: 350 Hillcrest Ave., 351 Hillcrest Ave., Springdale St. properties
- Condo Groups: Glenn Square, Sycamore Court, Sycamore Station

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Neighborhood Watch Update, continued

Note: The Sycamore Ridge Neighborhood Watch includes Grove St., Lockwood Terr., 208-224 Pinehurst St., and 302-424 Springdale St. If you fall into that area, we'll be glad to pass along your contact info.

Neighborhood Watch Meet-ups:

- **211-444 Sycamore Drive Neighbors:**
Thursday, August 4 at 7 p.m., at the Peer Support and Wellness Center (444 Sycamore Dr.); light refreshments to be served
- **Ridgeland/Fairview/Hickory Neighbors:**
Tentatively planned for September



Decatur Heights at Play

Meet new folks during fun events in and around our neighborhood. Try Decatur Heights at Play! In our recent online poll, neighbors voted on their favorite of four activities. If you'd like to coordinate one of the top choices this fall, contact us via our announcement line (404-220-9777) or e-mail address (DecaturHeightsNeighbors@gmail.com).

- Voters' First Choice: Bowling at Suburban Lanes (Suburban Plaza)
- Number 2 (Tie): Arts & Crafts Party at a Nearby Nursing Home
- Number 2 (Tie): Dog Training Demonstration
- Number 4: Pottery Painting at That Pottery Place (Suburban Plaza)



DHNA Announcement Line → 404-220-9777

Who lost a cute brown dog? Has anyone seen my wandering cat? I'd like to know when a crime happens. Are there neighborhood gatherings this week?

Great news! You don't need a computer to get the latest neighborhood news... Just call our announcement line. Listen to updates 24 hours a day and leave messages for DHNA between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. (or whenever necessary). If you leave a message, a DHNA rep will respond to you as soon as possible.

Submissions & Free Subscriptions

We hope that you have enjoyed this edition of **Decatur Heights Highlights**. Please share it with your friends and tell us what you'd like to see in next month's edition. For more information or to submit a news item, contact the editor via the Decatur Heights Announcement Line at 404-220-9777. If you have access to e-mail, please write us instead at DecaturHeightsNeighbors@gmail.com. Content suggestions are due by the 25th of the month preceding publication (date revised 9/1/11).