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All Ardmore Residents are invited to join the Ardmore Neighborhood Association. The ANA is an advocacy organization dedicated to preserving, protecting and celebrating Ardmore. "Ardmore" boundaries are Stratford, Silas Creek, Peters Creek and I-40 Business. See page four!



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Ardmore Celebrates and Preserves Historic Architecture

Doris Kendrick: 721-0744 Patti Heath: 724: 7671

It's not too late to nominate your house (or that of a neighbor!) for the Ardmore Heritage/Home Tour on Sept 25th. The Selection Committee is actively seeking all styles, types, locations and ages of Ardmore homes from 1920's bungalows to 1950's Modernists; from single-family dwellings to quadruplexes; from the heart of the Historic District to the edges of 'Greater Ardmore'. All are eligible and welcome to apply. If you believe your home reflects the best of Ardmore, call or email Doris or Patti with your information as soon as possible. We would love to meet you and see your home. Finalists will be notified by April 30th and final selections made shortly thereafter, to give plenty of lead time before the tour.

The Heritage/Home Tour committee also needs volunteers both before and on the day of the tour. Contact us if you want to get involved at any level. We look forward to hearing from you!

Centennial Kick off

Tuesday, May 11, 2010, 7PM
Ardmore United Methodist Church

Tiffany White

All of this recent snow and cold weather had many people in Ardmore turning up the thermostat and wondering about the energy efficiency of their historic home. The National Trust for Historic Preservation has a great website dedicated to the weatherization of historic homes. The four main categories covered are Roofing, Windows, Insulation, and Mechanical Systems. The National Trust gives great information and tips on how to enhance the energy efficiency of your historic home without compromising what makes it unique and historic in the first place!!! They offer many suggestions that are simple and cost effective, Check them out:

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Ardmore Fights Crime

We all love Ardmore and feel so safe that it is easy to become too relaxed with security measures. Additionally, many of us think the presence of dogs or a security sign will deter crime. However, we have a report of burglars tossing bones to a dog, breaking into the home with an alarm system set to “off” on a Sunday afternoon with neighbors nearby! Please be alert, call 773-7700 to report non-emergencies and 911 for emergencies. Getting to know your neighbors and their emergency phone numbers is advisable. Consider alarm systems and cameras and be sure they are activated. The ANA has spoken with Police, who continue to make arrests.

Dan Besse is well aware of these issues and sends the following note, “Crime and public safety are always top concerns for our neighborhoods. So far this year, I have received an increased number of concerned messages about home break-ins. I have recently checked with the WSPD to see whether this can be traced to a rise in criminal activity (bad) or a rise in community awareness and communication (good). The answer appears to be some of each. Overall, for the Ardmore neighborhood and vicinity part 1 crimes (the most serious offenses like robbery, assault, burglary) are down compared to both 2008 and 2009. Burglaries/breaking & enterings are down compared to 2008 but up compared to the comparable month in 2009. However, the changes are not so dramatic that I would have expected messages of concern to have increased as much as they have. Instead, I think there is principally a growing communication network among neighbors--listserves, email alert lists, neighborhood watches. On balance, that's a positive result which should help us to reduce neighborhood crime over the long run.

Our WSPD district patrol captain reports that they have increased patrols and covert surveillance of the areas experiencing highest reports. **She especially encourages continuing the neighbor-to-neighbor communications, and the rapid reporting to police of suspicious activities when they are observed (rather than later). She also urges residents to make records of the make and serial numbers of items like electronics that are likely theft targets.** Having that information makes it far easier to connect crime locations to offenders. In a pattern of multiple offenses, establishing solid links between offenders and specific crimes is always a challenge. Solving that challenge boosts the effectiveness of enforcement.”

Our thanks to the police for their service and sacrifice!

Protecting our Environment

Vegetable Gardening and Drip Irrigation

Mr. William Colvin will present a beginners vegetable gardening class and an overview of drip irrigation on Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at 7 PM at the Ardmore United Methodist Church on Hawthorne. Come meet neighbors and learn new ways to save water and grow your own produce.

New Rollout Recycling Project

We have had requests to nominate Ardmore, or parts of Ardmore, for an exciting environmental program. This would make recycling more efficient for us and the city. The city will supply the carts for the pilot area. To nominate Ardmore, or your area, for the pilot program call City Link at 727-8000. The program will be open for only 1,800 homes, and neighborhoods must have 85 percent participation to qualify. It would be helpful if you would also e-mail Ardmore@Ardmore.ws so that we may define an 1800 home area.

“Thanks to a \$100,000 state grant, the Sanitation Division is looking for neighborhoods that want to participate in a rollout recycling pilot project. Residents will have free use of a large, 96-gallon rollout cart for all their recyclables - no sorting or separation needed. The carts offer greater convenience and save time, because they will only put it out every other week! The lid keeps recyclables dry and protects residents' privacy. The city will benefit by not having to collect recycling every week. Recycling trucks will use less fuel and the automated equipment will collect faster than manual collection with the green bins. This means less pollution and greenhouse-gas emissions.”

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Ardmore sewer line repairs

Dan Besse

Winston-Salem is in a multi-year process of fixing up the older, often undersized and sometimes leaking sewage lines of our older neighborhoods. It's not glamorous work, but it's important to protecting public health and continuing cleanup of our environment. This spring, it's Ardmore's turn. Over the next six months, crews will work block by block. While no lengthy street closures are expected, when a section of pipe must be replaced that block will typically be closed to through traffic for a day to a week. Please be patient with this important work!



A playful Ardmore gardener's artistic nod to Spring!



Spring is a great time to enjoy Miller Park! The playground equipment is new. Our historic structures are scheduled for restoration.



The Ardmore Neighborhood Association has added an interactive listserve group that will allow for direct communication between neighbors. (The email address Ardmore@ardmore.ws will still be active as a private/confidential method of contacting the ANA leadership with any issues and/or information to be disseminated.) Once you have joined the Ardmore list serve you will have the ability to send out messages to all members of the listserve. We hope that this will create a greater sense of community and provide everyone a much quicker way to pass on important information such as crime alerts, notice of a lost pet, reminders about upcoming neighborhood events, etc. To join the list serve:

1. Send an email titled "subscribe" from your preferred email account to: ardmorelistserve-subscribe@yahoogroups.com;
2. Soon thereafter you will receive a confirmation email that will contain a link. Click on the link and follow the instructions to verify your email address.
3. Bookmark or write down the listserve homepage at: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ardmorelistserve/> An archive of all sent messages can be accessed at that address as well as instructions on how to send messages, invite others, setup your account preferences, and how to subscribe or unsubscribe.
4. Pass on the above instructions to others in the neighborhood who would like to join the listserve! You do not need to be an ANA member to do so.

Also, a facebook page has also been set up for the neighborhood. If you are already a facebook user you can join by visiting the group "Ardmore Neighborhood –Winston-Salem" at <http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#/group.php?gid=129209811730> The link to join will be on the right side of the page. We hope this will become yet another place for neighbors to connect with each other, communicate information, and to share stories, pictures, and videos of Ardmore. Feel free to invite others to the group. Please contact Reggie Delahanty at de-laaj03@yahoo.com with any questions or problems related to signing up for the listserve.

Membership Form

Your membership, ideas and involvement are the key to our success! By our bylaws, annual dues are due once each year in October. Dues are ten dollars per household. Please send this form and dues to The Ardmore Neighborhood Association (ANA) P.O Box 5834, Winston-Salem, NC 27113-5834.

Name(s)

Address

E-mail _____ 6. Phone: (If you wish to receive calls)_____

Volunteer interests: communications, property, preservation and planning, safety including crime prevention, history, social.

My priority for the neighborhood association are: Crime prevention, traffic control, zon-