



Around the Park

A Newsletter of the Duke Park Neighborhood Association

- Acadia
- Alcott
- Anita
- Arbor
- Avondale
- Camden
- Clark
- Colonial
- Edgevale
- Englewood
- Everett
- Farthing
- Glendale
- Green
- Greenleaf
- Hollywood
- Knox
- 'Lil Mangum
- Lynch
- Markham
- Nancy
- Peace
- Roxboro
- Shawnee
- Tyler
- Vista
- Washington

Letter from the President

Dan Read

AFTER A LOT of back and forth with neighbors, the City Council, City staff, and contractors, it appears the idea of remodeling the old bath house at Duke Park and making it into a community center is not going to come to pass in the near future. The cost of fixing the foundation and floor and renovating bathrooms will—even with significant input from volunteers and donated supplies—probably run about \$200,000 or more.

Even though that amount is approximately what it would cost the City to tear the present building and build a cinder block bathroom hut like the one at Northgate Park, the budget the Council is likely to adopt does not include that money. Several members of the City Council would probably vote for such an appropriation, but it appears that they are not a majority and most of the Council believe that the input they hear from Duke Park is just from the same few people over and over.

Other wheels are squeaking louder, with many more voices. Other neighborhoods get more attention. And unless we as a neighborhood get more active, that is how it will remain. Our bathhouse will continue to moulder and not be attractive, even as a bathroom. The meadow in front of it will keep having a big open hole. Calls for zoning enforcement will continue to go unheeded. Sidewalks will go unbuilt, while other neighborhoods get them.

People call me up at home and ask or tell me, “The Neighborhood Association needs to do this...” and “I need help with that...” I tell them that we are just a small group of volunteers. We do not have an office. We do not have paid staff. We try to take things up, but there is only so much we can do. Remember, the volunteers in the Neighborhood Association are busy people too, with jobs and families of their own. We

need more neighbors to come out to our meetings and volunteer to take on responsibility for the community.

I ask people, “Can you serve as a block captain? All you have to do is get acquainted with the people in your block and be someone the police can call if they need information and to pass on important alerts...” “Oh, I’m just too busy...” “I don’t really want to do it...” “I have to think about it...” It gets tough to keep asking.

It’s not *all* frustration, of course. Duke Park is still a great place to live. That is especially true when we get a little help, as we did from the City *(continued on page 3)*

LIVE, from DUKE PARK, it's



5pm on The Meadow

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Carta del Presidente	2
The Good Folk Who Deliver	2
It Takes a Village.....	2
DPNA ListServ	3
Muchas Gracias, Rebecca Crocker!... 3	3
Thanks to Your Generosity.....	3
DPNA Membership	4
DPNA Board on Gay Marriage	4
DPNA Zero Tolerance Policy.....	6
Durham Central Market.....	7
Duke Park Babes Corner	7
A Welcome Refuge.....	9
Poetry, Anyone?	9

Carta del Presidente

Dan Read

DESPUÉS DE VARIOS MESES de platicarlo entre vecinos, el ayuntamiento, empleados municipales, y contractistas, resulta que la idea de remodelar la vieja casita de la alberga en el Parque de Duke como un centro comunitario no va ser posible, por lo menos no en el futuro cercano. El costo para las reparaciones del piso, los cimientos, y los baños – aún y cuando recibamos mucho asistencia de voluntarios y materiales donados – nos costaría por lo menos \$200,000 dólares.

Aunque esa cantidad de dinero es aproximadamente lo que le constaría a la ciudad de Durham para tumbar el edificio y construir baños hecho de bloques de concreto (como los baños en el Parque de Northgate), el presupuesto que la ciudad está preparando ahora probablemente no vaya a incluir fondos para tal proyecto. Varios miembros del consejo municipal estarán dispuestos a votar por tales fondos, pero ellos no son la mayoría, y parece que la mayoría tiene la opinión que los pedidos que recibe de miembros de la comunidad de Duke Park vienen siempre de las mismas cuantas personas una y otra vez.

Hay otros lados de la ciudad donde las necesidades son más graves y las voces pidiendo cambios son más fuertes. Otros vecindarios reciben más atención, y a menos que nosotros empecemos a ponernos más activos en cuanto (*continued on page 5*)

DANIEL F. READ

Attorney at Law

General law practice

* * * * *

Areas of concentration include:

Criminal law and traffic, real estate and wills, workers compensation, personal injuries and domestic law

Home: 1424 Acadia St.(since 1986)

Office: 115 E. Main St.

Phone: 919.683.1900

Email: readlaw@aol.com

The Good Folk Who Deliver the Good News

Carol Donin

“I WANT MY ATP!”, you say? Well, of course you do. And the magical elves, uh, scratch that; the awesome DPNDs – Duke Park Newsletter Delivers – go all out to ensure that you receive your issue of *Around the Park*. Unlike like the humanoid creatures created by J.K. Rowlings in the Harry Potter series, our DPNDs are not ‘bound’ into infinity to faithfully deliver ATP to the 700+ Duke Park households. On the contrary, the newsletter team voluntarily work behind the scenes to deliver the good news that materializes at your home every quarter. How is this accomplished? With a few simple guidelines that help make ATP delivery a success.

Reliability. The first goal of every DPND is to deliver the ATP to you on the weekend that batches are dispersed. Even on occasions when they are not available to deliver, DPNDs contact a back-up volunteer to make the rounds because we know how much you look forward to receiving your ATP. (*continued on page 6*)

It Takes a Village

Suzanne Tyler

I get it now! Who knew it would take a village for me to learn how to build a split rail fence? Well, that’s exactly what happened two months ago. Take a walk down the Brookline Trail between Acadia Street and Washington Avenue to admire what can be done when The City of Durham, Triangle Rails to Trails Conservancy (TRTC), Duke Park residents, and volunteers from other neighborhood organizations assemble as a village. With such energy and resources, the Brookline Trail project is a success worth praising.

The community gathered on the morning of March 7th with shovels, brooms, posthole diggers, digging bars, gloves, and miles of smiles exceeding the length of the trail. The first day produced more hands than were needed to dig holes, mix cement, sweep and shovel debris, collect trash and recyclables, clip back weeds, pull down vines, (*continued on page 5*)



From left rear: Steve Graff, Old North Durham NA, Bill Bussey, Triangle Rails to Trails, Councilman Mike Woodard, Alexandria Ross, ONDNA, Rosetta Radtke, Parks & Recreation, Dan Read, DPNA President.

Unique Gifts

Home Décor

A PERFECTLY BALANCED SHOPPING EXPERIENCE

Morgan Imports

113 S Gresgon St.
Durham, NC 27701
919.688.1150

www.morganimports.com
located in
the Historic Brightleaf District

Mon-Sat: 10am-9pm
Sun: 12pm-6pm

DPNA ListServ: Navigation & Netiquette

Barry Ragin

The DPNA ListServ is familiar electronic terrain for most of us. It's much like driving to and from our destinations: we secure ourselves and passengers into seatbelts, obey driving regulations, extend courtesies to pedestrians, pets and fellow drivers, try to avoid collapsing into potholes, colliding with knuckleheads and capitulating with behavior unbecoming our sane selves—all in an effort to go where we want to get what we need, without incident. Using the DPNA ListServ—one of the most active in Durham—calls for civility, caution, consideration, compliance and common sense too in the manner in which we exchange hundreds of messages on a plethora of topics with a fair number of varied and dynamic personalities. Because its 600+ member base is ever-changing, we bring (in two parts) these navigation and netiquette guidelines to the new and veteran listserv subscriber in the hope that a review will translate to even smoother driving online. *(continued on page 8)*

Muchas Gracias, REBECCA CROCKER!

The DPNA Board

Gracias para todos los tiempos que usted ha traducido a español la Carta del Presidente para esta publicación. Gracias y Rafe también para acoger la Navidad anual lo que haya. Sobre todo, gracias para es un gran amigo y el vecino a nosotros todo.

Estamos tristes verle, Rafe, Ella y Rosa van, pero son aliviados a saber que nuestras vidas jamás serán enriquecidas por le habiendo conocido. ¡Adiós en Arizona!

(translation on back page)



GET INVOLVED

DPNA BOARD ELECTIONS
Tuesday, September 8th, 7pm

Upcoming Vacancies:
President
Vice-President

DPNA Needs YOU, NOW!
Contact: dukepark@yahoo.com

DAVE HIGGS

HICO ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING

RESIDENTIAL - COMMERCIAL

Office: 919.608.8796
Email: hicoelectrical@yahoo.com
1216 Elmira Avenue * Durham, NC 27707

Letter from the President

Dan Read
continued from page 1

and Bill Bussey and Triangle Rails to Trails folks on cleaning up the Brookline trail and building the fence along it. Good things really happen. Our thanks go to Bill and his crew and to Rosetta Radtke at Parks and Recreation for keeping that ball rolling through the spring and getting the job done.

And thanks to Esther and Peter Bent for hosting another wonderful New Neighbor gathering. A bunch of old timers and new neighbors got together. A lot of information and great food was shared and bonds got started.


And thanks to Chris Crochetière for organizing the recent neighborhood yard sale. I have heard that people around the City are starting to put it on their calendars as another 'can't miss' Duke Park event.


And thanks to Ben and Tanya Blankenship and Jeff and Donna Sell for hosting another great Memorial Day picnic.

The list could go on. These are the fun things that make our neighborhood so good. We need you to volunteer, too, to help out with some of the less fun stuff. If you are not already involved in some kind of neighborhood activity or project, can't you donate a couple of hours a month? If each of the 700 or so households in the neighborhood donated just one hour a month, that would be the equivalent of sixteen weeks of work. Come on, my people. Please pitch in. We need you; Duke Park needs you now, more than ever! ◀



5th Annual
Beaver Queen Pageant
Saturday, June 6, 2009, 5pm
Duke Park Meadow





SEAGROVES REALTY
Ken Gasch
REALTOR®/Broker
(919) 220.0351
Ken@KenGasch.com

DPNA Membership: Record High

Cheryl Summers

One-hundred and thirty-eight is the record high of **Active DPNA Members!** You deserve applause. We thank you one and all for supporting OUR neighborhood. If you have not already done so, please help us to keep Duke Park the exceptional community it is by joining DPNA or renewing your membership today. Please join us now in acknowledging our newest and renewal members since the last issue of *ATP*.

New & Renew DPNA Members:

Carole & Dan Beauchamp, Alison Carpenter & Mark Pettit, June Case, Gina & Brett Froeliger, Emily Geizer & Owen, Jehanne Gheith & David Need, Rusty Haynes & Erin Van Scoyoc, Betty & Louis Hodges, Jr., Johnea & Robert Kelley, Colleen & Eric Lewis, Ann McLain & Barry Seaver, Becca Merrill & Bud Whitmeyer, Gail & Ernie Mills, John Molla, Lori Pistor & Terry Allebaugh, Joan Portwood, Loren Webster. ◀



DPNA Board Supports City Action on Gay Marriage

April 7, 2009

April 14, 2009

Hon. William V. Bell, Mayor
Members, Durham City Council
101 City Hall Plaza
Durham, NC 27701

Dear Mayor Bell and
Members of the Durham City Council:

In its April meeting, the board members of the Duke Park Neighborhood Association who were in attendance voted unanimously in support of your consideration of a resolution endorsing the rights of same-sex couples to share fully and equally in the rights, responsibilities and commitments of civil marriage.

One of the many things that make us proud to be residents of the City of Durham is this Council's historical support of the rights of its gay and lesbian citizens, especially through its approval of domestic partner benefits for city employees that has been in place for a number of years. This new resolution, while non-binding, is nonetheless a positive and necessary step for ensuring that all of our residents receive the rights and respect that they deserve.

We applaud you in your continued efforts to do the right thing by encouraging and supporting same-sex civil unions and/or marriage. Please do not hesitate to let us know how we can assist you in this very worthwhile effort.

Sincerely,

Stewart M. Kennedy
Board Member

Thanks! For Your Generosity

The DPNA Board extends its genuine thanks to recent contributors: Alison Carpenter & Mark Pettit, June Case, Chris Crochetière, Jehanne Gheith & David Need, Linda Jeffries & Nick Then, Becca Merrill & Bud Whitmeyer, John Molla, Sara Nelson, Lori Pistor & Terry Allebaugh, and Wenny Wigley. ◀



Independence Day Picnic @ Duke Park

Saturday, July 4th, 11:30am-5pm
Duke Park Shelter

Volunteers needed for children's
activities and food coordination
Contact: dukepark@yahoogroups.com

Graham knows the neighborhoods!

graham.marlette@prucarolinas.com

Urban Pioneering Since 1986
Buying OR Selling.

Call Graham Marlette
919.688.9026



Carta del Presidente

Dan Read

continued from page 2

cuanto a comunicar nuestras demandas a la ciudad, así se quedará. La vieja casita de la alberga continuará a deteriorarse y no tendrá función alguna, ni como un baño. Y las otras necesidades del vecindario también continuarán sin resolverse: la falta de baquetas, los pedidos para la ejecución de leyes de zonación, etc., mientras que otros vecindarios recibirán lo que necesitan.

La gente me llama a mi casa y me pregunta o me dicen “La asociación de vecinos debe de hacer tal cosa! O, yo necesito ayuda con esto o el otro!” y yo les digo, “Simplemente somos un grupo pequeño de voluntarios. No contamos con oficina, no contamos con empleados. Tratamos de hacer todo lo que se pueda, pero solo podemos alcanzar a hacer tantas cosas con el poco tiempo que tenemos.” Acuérdense, los miembros de la

**Cottage Garden
Landscaping**

*copper trellises
gardens
moon gates
patios & decks
stone walls
tree houses
water gardens
& more
cool stuff*



Portion of harvest
donated to SEEDS

Serving Durham's
older neighborhoods since 1992

FRANK HYMAN † 824-2239
www.frankhyman.com

Asociación de Vecinos son gente ocupada también, con sus propias chamba y familias. Necesitamos que más gente de la comunidad salga a participar y asistir en nuestros reuniones y tomen responsabilidad para esta comunidad.

Yo pregunto a la gente “Usted podría funcionar como capitán de su cuadra? Solo hay que llegar a conocer la gente que vive en su alrededor y ser la persona con que la policía se pueda comunicar si necesitan información o para comunicar alertas importantes.” Pero la gente a menudo me responde

“Bueno, soy demasiado ocupado, o Realmente no me interesa hacerlo, o Debo pensarlo más.” Se me hace difícil continuar a hacer las preguntas cuando estas son las respuestas que me dan.

Por supuesto, este trabajo que tengo no consiste solamente de estas frustraciones. Duke Park es un lugar maravillosa como para vivir. Esto es más cierto aún cuando recibimos ayuda de los demás – como cuando la Ciudad, Bill Bussey y la gente de Triangle Rails to Trails nos ayudaron a limpiar el sendero de Brookline y construir una cerca por ello. ¡Las cosas buenas si sucedan! Muchísimas gracias a a todos – Bill y sus ayudantes y Rosetta Radtke del Departamento de Parques y Recreación – quienes nos ayudaron a empezar ese proceso y asegurarse de que se completó. Y gracias a Esther Bent por ser la sede de otra fiesta para nuevos vecinos. Mucha información, comida y diversión fue compartido, y nuevos amistades empezado. Y gracias a Chris Chrochietiere por haber *(continued on page 7)*

It Takes A Village

Suzanne Tyler

continued from page 2

and cut back limbs. Several other project workdays were filled with the more grueling, back-breaking, sweat-producing job of digging holes in very difficult and rocky soil. Over the duration of the project, however, Duke Park residents, folks from Old North Durham Neighborhood Association, as well as volunteers from as far as Cary, Raleigh and Chapel Hill all came together and all deserve kudos for their helping hands.

Board Member Angelo Abbate was the DPNA point person to work with the Durham Parks and Recreation Senior Planner Rosetta



Volunteers work on the Brookline Trail


Radtke. The plan was set to install the two-rail split rail

fence between the Brookline trail and ditch from the Acadia end to the end of Glendale. Parks & Rec provided materials and coordinated the project. TRTC Vice President Bill Bussey not only designed the rail, but was there every single day organizing, digging, mixing, measuring, leveling and hauling, with Frank Bennett, Dilys Bowman and others adding their expertise and muscle. We cannot thank them enough for their hard work.

This joint effort formed the village that rallied behind the rails, resulting in the Brookline Trail becoming fully connected to the American Tobacco Trail (which can be viewed on the ATT map at www.trianglerails.org). This collective sweat equity demonstrated what can be accomplished when we work together. I get it. Hope you do too when next you stroll, bike, jog, or walk your dog along the Brookline trail. ◀

James H. Lewis Jr.
Owner

JAMES LEWIS MASONRY CONTRACTOR



502 Wellingham Dr.
Durham, NC 27713
919.451.6446

**DPNA Board Resolution
Zero Tolerance of Anonymous Letters
May 12, 2009**

May 20, 2009

Kelly Intehar
4716 White Oak Lane
Hillsborough, NC 27278

Dear Ms. Intehar,

This will follow up on recent correspondence and is the formal response of the Neighborhood Association. We deeply regret that anyone has taken it upon themselves to write to you anonymously masquerading as a representative of our organization. We hope that you will continue to be a positive presence in our neighborhood. The Board of the Association entered the following minute at its May 12 meeting:

Item #1: Anonymous Letter “from” DPNA: The Board firstly disavows the recent anonymous letter sent to the Camden Street property owner in the name of DPNA. The Board resolves that it was in no way connected to such letter and regrets that it was sent. The Board further resolves to continue to build a trust relationship with the property owner and encourages reciprocal action on the part of the property owner, including joining DPNA and becoming proactive in the community. Finally, DPNA resolves that it maintains a zero tolerance policy for such action falsely conducted in the name of DPNA and urges all Duke Park neighbors to present any grievances with any property owner to the Board for proper handling. Such action in name of the organization must at a minimum be cleared by the Board, if not the membership; people who violate this will be asked to leave the organization.

Thank you very much for your attention.

Daniel F. Read
Attorney at Law, DPNA President



**Celebrating
Ten Years!**
Saturdays 8am-Noon, Apr-Nov
10am-Noon, Dec-Mar
Wednesday 3:30-6:30pm,
May-Sept
501 Foster Street, The Pavilion at
Durham Central Park
www.durhamfarmersmarket.com

The Good Folk Who Deliver the Good News

Carol Donin
continued from page 2

Timing. Because the ATP contains information about upcoming events, it's critical to the good folk who deliver the good news that you receive your ATP in a timely manner. This way, you can participate in the activities going on within, around and outside of Duke Park. In addition, many of our neighbors do not subscribe to the DPNA listserv because they do not have computers, making the ATP their only source for learning what's going on in Duke Park in particular and the City of Durham in general.

Caring. DPNDs are cognizant of USPS regulation prohibiting the placement of newsletters, like the ATP, in your mailbox. So they are careful to secure your ATP in alternate acceptable places such as, through your mail slot, inside your storm door, rolled up and slid through your door handle or railing. This also prevents your ATP from blowing away and adding to litter on our streets.

Redistribution. Sometimes our DPNDs do not have enough ATPs for their routes or, have more than a few copies left over. This may lead you to say, “Hey, I didn't get my ATP” or, “Uh oh, I received duplicates.” In either event, our DPNDs report back on the shortfalls and overlaps so that we can make adjustments on the next go round. We want to assure you that no one is intentionally overlooked.

So the next time you find your ATP in your railing, door handle, storm door, or mail slot, forget about magical elves; extend your thanks to your neighbors, who perform the dedicated feat each quarter in the form of DPND extraordinaire! ◀



WEBMASTER WANTED!

We need your skills to master the DPNA Website. Contact us at dukepark@yahogroups.com to unleash your web prowess!

Upcoming DPNA Meetings

Board Meeting: Tuesday, June 9th, 7PM
Association Meeting: Tuesday, July 14th, 7PM
at the home of Dan Read - 1424 Acadia St.

Nominees Welcomed!

For September Election of President and Vice-President
Come Serve Your Community! We Need Your Involvement!

Announcing: Duke Park Garden Club

Membership open to Duke Park residents
To learn more, contact: dukeparkgc@yahoo.com



Durham Central Market Update

Pam Campa and Robin J. Arcus

NEWS, NEWS! Durham Central Market (DCM) hired Durham resident Don Moffitt, an independent business development consultant, as project manager to direct the organization and development phase of the market through to the store opening, projected for 2010. Don brings decades of experience in the grocery industry including 18 years working with Whole Foods. He is also active in Durham through board memberships and multiple volunteer activities.

The Board is analyzing several sites within easy walking distance of DCM and hopes to begin a capital campaign within the season. Owners are vital to DCM's creation. Shares continue to be available for \$100. A share conveys ownership in the cooperative and a vote in DCM's development decisions. To learn more, visit us at www.durhamcentralmarket.org.

Volunteer orientations are held on the first Tuesday of each month, at 5:30PM, at 538 Foster Street. You are invited to come, meet the staff and to learn about DCM's wide range of volunteer opportunities. ◀

Bill Anderson
REALTOR®/Broker
(919) 282-8209
theocean1@aol.com

Carta del Presidente

Dan Read

continued from page 5

organizado la yarda (garage sale) en todo el vecindario. Me han dicho que gente en otras partes de la ciudad ya lo están marcando sus calendarios para acordarse de asistir el año que entra! Y gracias a Ben y Tanya Blankenship y Jeff y Donna Sell por ser la sede de otro picnic maravillosa para Memorial Day.

La lista pudiera continuar y continuar. Estas son las cosas tan bonitas de este vecindario que lo hace un lugar tan bueno para vivir. Te necesitamos como voluntario también, para algunas de las tareas menos divertidas. Si todavía no estas involucrado en el vecindario, ¿no podrías tú donar solo un par de horas al mes? Si cada una de las 700 casas y departamentos en esta comunidad donaría solamente un a hora al mes, eso equivalía 16 semanas de trabajo. ¡Anímense vecinos, ayúdenos por favor! Te necesitamos. ¡Duke Park te necesita como nunca antes! ◀



Bill McCrorie

Triangle Gutters is a professional gutter installation and maintenance company servicing Durham, Raleigh, Chapel Hill, and the greater Wilmington, NC areas.

- 5" and 6" Seamless Gutters
- All Colors
- Clean-out and Repair

Phone: 919.847.6817
Mobile: 919.427.7936
E-Mail: trianglegutters@yahoo.com
Website: www.trianglegutters.com

Duke Park Babes Corner

Laura Siegel

ELIOT MICHAEL MONTGOMERY was born June 19, 2008 (on his actual due date) to parents Aura LaBarre and Gregory Montgomery. Maternal grandfather Elias likes to claim the little one as his namesake, but Eliot also gets his middle name from paternal grandpa Michael, with whom he shares a birthday.

Eliot enjoys a variety of foods, usually whatever big sis Iana (now 4½) is eating. He has a style all his own, though, particularly in

his unique crawl, which is just too cute to describe! The bubbly tot enjoys making music with whatever homemade instruments he can find; he especially likes to use plastic tubes as whistles. Also, a day is not complete without a run through the neighborhood with Dad.

Since the family was new to the area when Aura was seven months pregnant, little Eliot helped Mom, Dad and Iana meet the neighbors. Duke Park neighbor extraordinaire Emily Geizer organized a dinner brigade when Eliot was born, introducing Aura and Greg to one of the many reasons Duke Park is such a great place to raise a family! ◀



We Want to Meet Your Babe!

Submit your baby's date of birth, favorite foods, and budding idiosyncrasies with a picture to: lauriesiegel824@gmail.com.

DPNA ListServ: Navigation & Netiquette

Barry Ragin

continued from page 3

PART I: NAVIGATION

1. **Yahoo Email Subscriber.** The DPNA ListServ is provided through Yahoo Groups. You need an email address to subscribe to the DPNA ListServ. It does not have to be a Yahoo email account, though many subscribers prefer this method. To create a Yahoo account, go to www.yahoo.com and select the Free Mail Sign Up button. To join the DPNA ListServ using your Yahoo account, visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dukepark/> and click the "Join this Group" button. In the Message Delivery section, select whether you wish to receive Individual messages (each message sent immediately) or Digest messages (an email sent daily listing up to 25 messages). The DPNA Listserv is a free, advertising-supported venture of Yahoo! When you subscribe, you are agreeing to Yahoo's terms of service, which can be found here: <http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/>.
2. **Non-Yahoo Email Subscriber.** To subscribe using a non-Yahoo email address, send a blank email to dukepark-subscribe@yahogroups.com. Make sure you send your subscribe request from the email address you wish to use to post to the list. If you have a different work and home email address, for example, and you subscribe using your home address, even if you have your home emails forwarded to your work address, you will not be able to post to the list from the work address.
3. **DPNA Yahoo Group Logon.** Whether you subscribe with a Yahoo Account or other email account, you can go directly to the DPNA Yahoo Group website with this link: https://login.yahoo.com/config/login_verify2?.intl=us&src=ygrp&.done=http%3a//groups.yahoo.com%2Fgroup%2Fdukepark%2F. Here you can browse the DPNA ListServ archives for posts (and attachments) you may have missed, view photos, files, and search the database containing service providers recommended by your neighbors. Be aware, though, that you may miss out on some timely offers of first-come, first-serve furniture, tickets, etc. Also, the occasional attachment is not stored in the archives.



Carolyn Stevenson

Holistic Counselor & Life Coach

Wellness
Relationships
Anxiety & Depression
Spirituality & Meaning

Durham, NC
919.699.1933

Email: carolynstevenson@carolynstevenson.com www.carolynstevenson.com

QUINTESSENCE MEMORY BOOKS

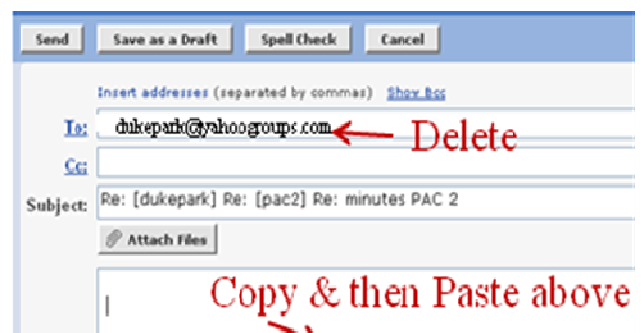
809 Colonial Street
Durham, NC 27701

Cell: 919-323-5170
Email: jteustice@nc.rr.com



David and Jessica
Partners

4. **DPNA ListServ Logon.** Log on to the DPNA ListServ by entering this link into your browser: https://login.yahoo.com/config/login_verify2?&.src=ym. This is where you receive messages sent to every subscriber, and send messages from your subscribed email account.
5. **Reply.** When you click the 'Reply' button, your post will be sent **BY DEFAULT** to dukepark@yahoo.com and, ultimately, **ALL** listserv subscribers. Please remember that before you hit the 'Send' button.
6. **Reply to All.** Click the arrow to the right of the Reply button, to choose "Reply to All." All, being the sender, PLUS any addressees listed in the carbon copy ('Cc:') or blind carbon copy ('Bcc:') fields.
7. **Reply Offlist.** To reply to the sender offlist: 1) click the 'Reply' button, 2) delete the default address from within the 'To:' field, 3) copy and paste the email address of the message sender into the 'To:' field, and 4) begin composing your reply.



On Fri, 5/15/09, bragin@nc.rr.com

You can also forward and delete messages, as well as filter junkmail into the 'Spam' folder. Navigating your email messages is just about as simple as that!

In the next issue, we will present **Part II: Netiquette**, in which we will review guidelines for message content. Until then, *vroom* safely on the DPNA ListServ! ◀

A Welcome Refuge

Alison Greene and Andrew Preiss

Duke Park is a haven for birds, and maintaining a feeder will bring many colorful visitors to your yard. Every morning we awaken to a bird song and start the day by checking out the avian residents through the front window. We keep binoculars and field guides (Sibley and Petersons) on the table in case a rare bird flits in for a snack. Those which frequent our yard are the Cardinal, Chickadee, Mourning Dove, House/Purple Finch, Goldfinch, Bronze and Boat-tailed Grackle, Ruby-throated Hummingbird, White-breasted Nuthatch, Robin, White-throated Sparrow, Brown Thrasher, Tufted Titmouse, Towhee, Downy and Red-bellied Woodpecker, and Carolina Wren.

Bluebirds come for a while in the spring, but have yet to nest in our bluebird boxes. We have had visits from the Indigo Bunting, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Northern Parula Warbler, and one Scarlet Tanager.

Hawks and owls are also common in Duke Park. Avian expert Josh Rose identified the hawk in Ruta Slepetic's photo as a juvenile Red Shouldered Hawk. Red Tail and Cooper's Hawks are also common, as is the Barred Owl. Its expressive call, "whoohoo, whoohoo," is a pleasure to hear in the evening calm.

No matter the time of day or season, we are grateful for the host of colorful, majestic, feathered friends that perch and feed and nest in Duke Park, a welcome refuge. ◀



Bluebird snacking.
Photo by Alison Greene



Red-Shouldered Hawk.
Photo by Ruta Slepetic

Poetry, Anyone?

Donna Sell

One ought, every day at least, to hear a little song, read a good poem, see a fine picture, and if it were possible, to speak a few reasonable words.
—Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

Wise words to live by, especially in our fast-paced goal oriented society. Who in our neighborhood doesn't find themselves seeking an escape from the grind now and then? Poetry is one way to check out without leaving. All you need is a book of poems, the internet, or a pen and piece of paper; within a few minutes you'll have the keys for your escape.

Poetry has the power to transcend the mundane moments of our daily existence, taking us deep into our imaginations where anything is possible. Whether it's rhyme or free verse, classic or contemporary, serious or playful, poetry unites us by virtue of its ability to encapsulate and distill grains of our shared humanity and experience with the natural world. Whether you're reading or writing poetry, it's a creative endeavor with benefits that can leave you with a sense of connection or vision that you didn't have before.

In this vein, *Around the Park* invites fellow Duke Parker's to send in a poem to share with your neighbors. Please send your contribution for the newsletter by emailing it to donnajsell@yahoo.com. Include the poem's title, the author's name and a brief explanation about why you chose it. Or, please, share a poem that you've written and tell us what inspired you. Inclusion of your poem is at the discretion of the editor (who determines space availability).

In the meantime, please enjoy the following poem by William Carlos Williams, first published in 1923.

The Red Wheelbarrow

so much depends
upon
a red wheel
barrow
glazed with rain
water
beside the white
chickens



Cryptogram

Decode this message by replacing all instances of an encoded letter with a different letter of the alphabet. (Solution on page 10.)

NBZHBER ZNQFKM LK CFKB. LKMBWBKMBKUR WLAKLA LK CFOG.

NQZEM DBDNBER NEBZX LK ZFOFRU, NFU MFXB WZEX LR ZOVZGR

ZOLHB! --AYBEGO RFDDBER

**Duke Park
Neighborhood
Association**

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.rtpnet.org/dukepark/

Join the neighborhood listserv:

[http://groups.yahoo.com/
group/dukepark](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dukepark)

*Si usted tiene preguntas sobre
la comunidad, los
acontecimientos, y/o los
servicios, llame por favor a
Rebecca al 943-7234*

DPNA Board of Directors:

Dan Read, President
Angelo Abbate, Vice President
Cheryl Summers, Secretary
Brian Green, Treasurer

Board Members At-Large:

Bill Anderson
Jessie Eustice
Stewart Kennedy
John Sideris
Suzanne Tyler

ATP Volunteer Staff

Cheryl Summers, Editor
Carol Donin, Distribution Manager
Jessie Eustice, Advertising Coordinator

Cryptogram Solution

(on page 9)

Beavers abound in June. Independents picnic in July. Board Members break in August, but Duke Park is always alive!
--Cheryl Summers

Volunteers Needed!!!

We need **YOU** to serve Duke Park. Volunteer your service today as a DPNA officer or Board Member. Contact us at dukepark@yahoogroups.com.

PUBLISHED: 060609

**Thanks a
Million!**

A million thanks are extended to Duke Park Newsletter Delivers and the back-up volunteers who hand-deliver this newsletter to every home in Duke Park each quarter. We especially thank **YOU**, our **Members**, and the **Advertisers** who, together, make this publication possible!

The DPNA Board

Thank You, REBECCA CROCKER!

The DPNA Board

Thanks for all the times you have translated into Spanish the *Letter from the President* for this publication. Thank you and Rafe too for hosting the annual Christmas potluck. Most of all, thanks for being a great friend and neighbor to us all.

We are sad to see you, Rafe, Ella and Rosa go, but are comforted in knowing that our lives will ever be enriched by having known you. Farewell in Arizona!



Duke Park Neighborhood Association

Not a Member? Please Join Us Now!

Name(s)

Address

City/State/Zip

Telephone

Email

Select your annual Member contribution type:	<u>Annual Amount</u>	<u>Total</u>
<input type="radio"/> Family	\$10.00	\$ _____
<input type="radio"/> Single Person	5.00	_____
<input type="radio"/> Senior Citizen	5.00	_____

I/We also would like to contribute to the DPNA:

- General Operating Fund \$ _____
- Annual Luminaria Fundraiser _____
- Other: _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Make Check or Money Order payable to:
Duke Park Neighborhood Association

Mail to:

Brian Green
DPNA Treasurer
POB 110581
Durham, NC 27709

(Do NOT mail Cash)