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A Newsletter of the Duke Park Neighborhood Association

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## Letter from the President

Dan Read

**AS THE SUMMER** draws to a close, things are picking up around the neighborhood. We had a good turnout of approximately 75 people for the National Night Out on August 4<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Jessie Eustice, Barry Ragin, Brenda Dienst and Lauren Fitzgerald in particular for setting it up and making the little green space along Avondale at Alcott come alive. And thanks to Cpl. J. Clayton and PO J. Carnevale of the Durham Police for showing the colors. And yes, we are not going to stop crime by turning out for one evening for drinks and snacks—but building community does help us to feel and be safer and more confident in our neighbors and is a step on the way.

The dream is to have a park along Avondale there with a fenced play area for the kids. That's a ways off, but it's good to have the idea out there and in discussion.

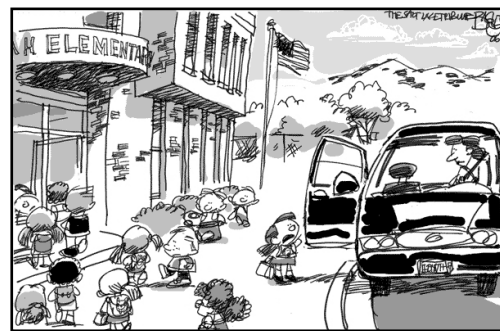
Speaking of parks, your DPNA Board met with City management staff at Duke Park on August 11<sup>th</sup>. City Manager Tom Bonfield had asked to meet with us and brought along his deputy Ted Vorhees, Parks & Recreation head Rhonda Parker, General Services Director Joel Reitzer, and Kevin Lilley of Urban Landscaping. We walked the grounds and discussed needed work and how the neighborhood can build a partnership with the City to improve it.

Kevin Lilley noted that the drainage pipe under the old swimming pool, now the "meadow," is made of old terra cotta pipe sections and must be repaired. During the last rainstorm the drain blocked and created another sinkhole by the sidewalk across the south end of the meadow. This problem will continue and needs to be fixed down under the meadow. The big drain pipe will have to be trenched out and replaced. This will create an opportunity to regrade the field and hopefully end the swampy conditions there. Bonfield said he thought that our request that

this be completed by the first weekend of June of next year (in advance of the annual Beaver Pageant) was realistic and that the City would shoot to make that happen.

We talked about the bath house. Bonfield made no bones about there being no money in the City's capital budget for the BH this year. We made our point that especially since the BH will remain City property, it is appropriate for the City to contribute something (especially since to tear it down and build a cinder block bathroom would be close to what we think we need to renovate). Board member Bill Anderson spoke eloquently on how working in a partnership with the neighborhood can be a win-win situation, and that together we can get a lot done for a lot less money than other all-City projects. Bonfield seemed receptive; but *(continued on page 3)*

### BACK TO SCHOOL!



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"YOU CAN MAKE MY BODY GO TO SCHOOL, BUT MY SOUL WILL BE OUTSIDE RUNNING THROUGH SPRINKLERS"

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## Carta del Presidente

Escrito por Dan Read (Traducido por Jim Fitzpatrick)

**MIENTRAS ACABA EL VERANO**, las cosas siguen cogiendo el ritmo en el barrio. Aproximadamente 75 personas acudieron para la celebración de National Night Out el 4 de agosto. Gracias a Jessie Eustice, Barry Ragin, Brenda Dienst, y Lauren Fitzpatrick por organizarlo y animar el pequeño espacio verde en el área de Avondale y Alcott. Y gracias a los Cpl. J. Clayton y PO J. Carnevale de Durham Policía por haber venido a nuestra celebración. Y no, no vamos a parar el crimen saliendo una noche para bebidas y tentempiés, pero construir un sentido de comunidad nos ayuda a sentirnos seguros y tener más confianza en nuestros vecinos es un paso en el viaje.

El sueño es tener un parque por Avondale con un área cercado para los niños. Está en el futuro pero es bueno poder discutir la idea.

Al hablar de parques, los representantes del barrio se reunieron con el personal de la ciudad el 11 de agosto. Nos habían pedido una reunión y también vinieron su segundo Ted Vorhees; Rhonda Parker, directora de parques y recreación; Joel Reitzer, director de servicios generales; y Kevin Lilley de arquitectura paisajista urbana. Caminamos por el Parque y discutimos trabajo necesario y cómo el barrio puede construir una relación *(continúa en la página 5)*

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### The Stars of Duke Park

Daniel Jones

Hi. We're new here. Moving is always a big production—especially when you have a three month-old baby and are moving cross-country, from San Francisco to Durham. But we managed to make it in one piece.

Much to our delight, the neighborhood decided to host a welcoming party for us recently. Sure, they called it the "Duke Park 4th of July Celebration," or something like that, but it was obviously thrown in our honor! How else could we explain the abundance of smiles and conviviality from people we had never met? *(continued on page 4)*



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## Solid Waste Update

Barry Ragin

You may have noticed some changes this summer in pick up schedules by the Department of Solid Waste Management of household trash, recycling, household bulky items and yard waste. Not everyone is clear of all the changes, nor has the new schedule in the Duke Park neighborhood gone as smoothly as we may have hoped. So here is a rundown of where things stand right now.

**Household Trash** pickup now happens on Wednesday. Please have your green trash carts at the curb on Tuesday evening, and pull them back to your house on Wednesday.

**Recycling** pickup for Duke Park is on alternate Wednesdays: September 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, October 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, etc. Please note that the old, square recycling bins will no longer be emptied. You should have received a 90 gallon blue recycling cart by now. If you have not, please call Durham One-Call at 560-1200 and get a tracking number so that you can refer to it on subsequent calls, if necessary. This is especially important if your trash and recycling are picked up on one of the service alleys, as these seem to be slipping under the radar. Also call One-Call if at any time your trash or recycling are not picked up on the scheduled day. If, after a month or two of using the 90 gallon cart, you find that you do not need one so large, call One-Call and request an exchange to a smaller cart.

**Household Bulky Items** pickup will now occur on a weekly basis, at no additional charge to customers. If you have a bulky item (furniture, appliance, etc.) place it curbside on Tuesday evening with your regular trash. The operator will note what you have set out, and it should be picked up on Thursday. This means that the item will be at the curb for a couple of days. If you put an item out for pickup with your trash and it has NOT been picked up by end of day Thursday, place another call to One-Call. *(continued on page 4)*

## National Night Out on Avondale

Jessie Eustice

On August 4<sup>th</sup>, nearly 75 neighbors attended the Duke Park NNO, held this year under the tiki lights at Avondale and Markham—on a lot that could potentially serve as a children's park. In preparation for the event, the lot was cleared of debris, mowed and lit up by volunteers, among whom included Brenda Dienst, Barry Ragin and Jim and Lauren Fitzpatrick. Families with children and young adults played football, frisbee, enjoyed snacks and soft drinks, compliments of DPNA. The crowd was joined by Durham Police Cpl. J. Clayton and PO J. Carnavale.

"National Night Out" was introduced in 1984 by Matt A. Peskin, the then-executive director of the National Association of Town Watch. He envisioned an event that would generate enthusiasm for "police-community partnerships," crime and drug abuse prevention, as well as neighborhood camaraderie. We thank all the residents, friends, volunteers, and Police, who collectively displayed that neighborhood solidarity. ◀

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## Durham: Among 10 Best Places to Live!

Cheryl Summers

In June 2009, Durham, NC was voted among the ten best places to live. *U.S. News* looked at areas with strong economies, low living costs, and plenty of fun things to do. The article noted Durham's "expansive healthcare industry...thriving technology hub...the many distinct trails and greenways...Durham Bulls Athletic Park" as reason for its inclusion on the list. All great things for sure.

Well, we'd like to add the plethora of fine cultural arts and sciences, the abundant agri-businesses which supply a host of markets and restaurants, which, in turn, nourish the minds and bodies of the residents of one of the finest neighborhoods in Durham: Duke Park! ◀

## Letter from the President

Dan Read

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the odds of squeezing even a little seed money out of the City this year are very slim. Specific short term ideas for the BH were possibly just fixing the bathrooms, having the City to start tearing out the old floor, and putting in new foundation piers. Bonfield said he would have the staff look at that.

There was a pile of brush up against the north end of the structure that Bonfield did not at all appreciate. His staff has since cleared the area. Maybe we can get him to make an inspection drive by once a month or so!

We looked at the parking lot between the north side of the park and the interstate wall. There was talk about what was stored there—sand, bleachers—and how it gets used. The lot should be opened up soon, although P&R still likes storing its stuff there and having a fenced area for its employees to park. Hopefully this soon will get opened to public use and take some pressure off of on-street parking.

A thunderstorm brewed up as we walked around the parking lot and so we headed home. I had the sense that our city manager was really seeing DP for the first time, and that (in my opinion) he saw that there is a lot of room for improvement. Stay tuned!

We had another incident of cars in the park. Thanks to those who called it in and stayed after our people in blue—the DPD promised to write tickets; P&R saw the gaps in the fence line and will fill those in and install some sturdier posts. Again, if you see suspicious or outright illegal activity in the Park or elsewhere in the area, call the police. Better for them to get ten calls about the same thing, than for ten people to think someone else already called. DPD provides the muscle to enforce the law and keep us safe, but we need to be their eyes to let them know what is going on.

September traditionally has been when we elect new Board officers and members. Our present leadership—me, Dan Read, as President, Cheryl Summers as Secretary, and Brian Green as Treasurer—will likely be on the job for another year. We are always looking for help. So if you are interested, please let us know. ◀

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## Duke Park Neighborhood Gardens

Tanya Blankenship

Please join us for the charter meeting of the Duke Park Neighborhood Gardens. The primary objective of DPNG is to review small garden projects once per month submitted by Duke Park residents and assemble a Green Team to help participants complete that project. DPNG Members get to drop their small garden project into the DPNG Dream Sack. Who knows? Yours may be the chosen review project of the month!

So what are you waiting for? Brush the dust off your years-old garden project list. Get your gardening tools ready! Meet us at the home of Esther Bent (405 E. Markham Ave.) on Saturday, October 3, 10am. For more details, email [dukeparkng@yahoo.com](mailto:dukeparkng@yahoo.com). ◀



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## Solid Waste Update

Barry Ragin  
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**Yard Waste** pickup is a subscriber-based program. It costs about \$60/year, plus an additional fee for a brown yard waste cart if you do not already have one. Like the bulky items schedule, you need to have your container curbside on Tuesday night, where it will be noted by the regular waste pickup operator, and then picked up on Thursday. If you have items such as tree limbs that will not fit into the container, PLEASE do not pile them at the curb; you need to schedule a **Bulky Brush** pickup. Yard waste subscribers get two free bulky item pickups per year. Additional pick-

## The Stars of Duke Park

Daniel Jones  
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In all seriousness, though, the neighborhood 4th of July celebration was a hit—complete with quintessential American cookout cuisine and a lively children's parade overflowing with red, white, and blue. Right from the start, it was apparent that we had picked the perfect neighborhood in which to make our home.



Banner Bearers lead the Duke Park July 4<sup>th</sup> Kids parade.  
Photo courtesy of Katherine O'Brien.

So thanks to the stars of Duke Park for arranging a wildly successful Independence Day celebration. We want to thank our new neighbors too for making us feel right at home. We look forward to seeing you all again soon. ◀

ups are available for a fee. Non-subscribers can also have bulky brush picked up for a fee. Currently the City will pick up fall leaves in brown paper compostable bags only. (Please do not blow your leaves out into the street, since it is difficult to get the City out to pick them up.) You can put a maximum of 10 bags alongside your brown cart each week. Bags that are placed at the curb without an accompanying cart will likely not be picked up, nor will black plastic bags or other containers.

For more information about the recycling program, household hazardous waste and excluded bulky items, call Durham One-Call or Solid Waste, and visit their websites.

Durham One Call: 560-1200  
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## Carta del Presidente

Dan Read (Traducido por by Jim Fitzpatrick)  
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con la ciudad para mejorar el parque.

Kevin Lilley notó que el caño de la piscina vieja, lo cual ahora es el “prado,” es construido de terracota, y por eso se debe reparar. Durante la última tormenta, el sumidero se bloqueó y se creó otro desaguedero cerca de la acera a la parte del sur del prado. Este problema va a continuar y se necesita arreglar debajo del prado. Habrá que sacar y reemplazar el caño, lo cual presentaría una oportunidad para nivelar el campo y acabar con las condiciones cenagadas. El Sr. Bonfield dijo que pensaba que nuestra petición que se complete antes del primero de junio en 2010 (antes del festival Beaver Queen) fue razonable y que la ciudad intentaría hacerlo.

Hablamos del bathhouse. Bonfield dijo muy directamente que no había espacio en el presupuesto de la ciudad para este año. Planteamos el punto que ya que el edificio es la propiedad de la ciudad, la ciudad debe contribuir algo para mantenerlo, en particular porque arrasarlo y construirlo de nuevo sería tan caro como renovarlo.




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Directivo del barrio Bill Anderson habló elocuentemente sobre cómo trabajar junta con el barrio es una situación en que los dos ganan, y que juntos podemos realizar más por menos dinero aquí que en otros proyectos de toda la ciudad. Bonfield parecía receptivo a la idea, pero la probabilidad de recibir ni un poco de dinero es muy baja. Idea específicas para el corto plazo son arreglar solamente los baños, que la ciudad saque el suelo viejo, y construir nuevas columnas de fundación. Bonfield dijo que el personal lo miraría.

Había un montón de basura de jardín en el lado norte de la estructura que no le gusta nada al Sr. Bonfield. Su personal lo ha limpiado. Tal vez podemos convencerle que conduzca por aquí una vez cada mes.

Miramos el aparcamiento entre el lado norte del parque y la pared de la carretera. Hablamos de qué se guarda allí (arena, bancos) y cómo se usa. Se debe arreglar el aparcamiento muy pronto, aunque al departamento de *(continúa en la página 6)*

## Lo Nuevo Sobre los Desechos Solidos

Escrito por Barry Ragin (Traducido por Nathaniel y Betty Rewey)

Seguramente ha notado algunos cambios durante el verano en el calendario de los días de recogido de basuras hecho por el Departamento de Manejo de Desechos Sólidos para lo que son la basura normal, el reciclaje, artículos grandes del hogar y desechos del jardín. No todos tienen todo claro sobre estos cambios y la implementación de los cambios no han sido un proceso fácil como esperábamos. Aquí está el resumen de como está la situación en este momento.

**Basura Normal.** El día de recoger la basura ahora es el miércoles. Por favor dejar sus contenedores verdes por la acera los martes por la noche y guardarlos el miércoles.

**Reciclables.** La recolección para Duke Park ahora es cada dos semanas, los miércoles. Septiembre 16 y 30, octubre 14 y 28, etc. De ahora en adelante no van a recoger los reciclables en los contenedores azules viejos. Debe haber recibido un contenedor azul nuevo de 90 galones. Si no ha recibido el contenedor nuevo, llame al Durham “One-Call” al 560-1200 y pida un número de referencia por si tiene que volver a llamar. Al parecer es más importante si su hogar tiene servicio de basura y reciclables en un callejón. Además, llame al One-Call si no recogen su basura o reciclables en el día normal. Si después de uno o dos meses, el contenedor de 90 galones es demasiado grande para las necesidades de su hogar, puede llamar al One-Call para pedir un cambio por un contenedor mas pequeño.

**Recogida de Artículos Grandes** ahora ocurrirá semanalmente sin ningún costo adicional para usuarios. Si usted tiene un artículo grande (como muebles, electrodomésticos, etc.) déjelo en la acera el martes por la noche al lado de la basura normal. El operador anotará que lo ha dejado allí y deberá ser recogido el jueves. Esto significa que el artículo

estará en la acera por un par de días. Si usted coloca un artículo afuera para ser recogido con su basura y no ha sido recogido al final del día jueves entonces debe llamar al One-Call.

**Desechos del Jardín** es un programa que requiere subscripción. Cuesta aproximadamente \$60/año mas el pago adicional para obtener el contenedor café para dichos desechos si aún no tiene uno. Igual que los artículos *(continúa en la página 9)*



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## DPNA Membership Steady

Cheryl Summers

In this trying economy, we appreciate that you have added or kept DPNA membership dues in your budget. **Active DPNA Membership** remains at its highest level—just shy of 140 members! If you have not already done so, please take a moment to join DPNA or renew your membership (see membership form on back cover). Let's now welcome our new and renewal members since the last issue of *ATP*.


### New & Renew DPNA Members:

Angelo & Charlotte Abbate, Richard & Rosy Anderson, Joanne Andrews, Linda & John Barr, Meredith & Derek Bird, Chris Bobko & Kelly Leong, Lynn Bodden & Peter Carman, Mitch Bowden, Jeff Burch, Bernadette, Linden & Jada Chasteen, Paula Compton, Catherine Craig, Teresa Cyphers, Suzanne Faulkner & Nikos, Jim & Lauren Fitzpatrick, August & Anne Gering, Lia Gilmore, Susan & Steve Graff, Sandi Gray-Terry, Brian Green, Lark Hayes, Kamela Heyward-Rotini, Sally Hicks & Richard Hart, Danny Jones & Zib Greer, Piper Kessler & Monique Velasquez, Troy & Wendy Livingston, Katherine O'Brien, John & Signe Offenber, Susan & Burch Raper, Tracy Rupp & Evan Charney, Claus Sievers, Timothy & Courtney Stanion, Rozette & Harold Smith, Deborah Wallace. ◀

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## Durham Central Market Update

Robin Arcus

**NEWS, NEWS!** With all the flap in the media about boycotts and opinions, we at Durham Central Market (DCM) are quietly going about our business of organizing a local grocery store. Whether or not health care reform happens, DCM is working on food reform, that is, bringing local food more easily into everyone's reach. It's a long road and it's an important one.

Our current focus is on choosing the best possible location for the store. We've been considering several wonderful sites, each with its own challenges. So while we sort through those challenges and work on the project, do us the favor of keeping the word going about DCM. Shares are available for \$100 per person and may be purchased online or at *(continued on page 8)*

## Carta del Presidente

Dan Read (Traducido por Jim Fitzpatrick)

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parques y recreación le gusta guardar sus cosas allí y tener un área fincada para que sus empleados puedan estacionar sus coches. Esperamos que se abra al público muy pronto para quitar la presión del aparcamiento en la calle.

Empezó una tormenta mientras caminábamos por el aparcamiento, y por eso nos fuimos a casa. Tenía la impresión de que el gerente de la ciudad había visto Duke Park por primera vez, y (en mi opinión) vio que hay mucho espacio para mejorarlo. ¡Ya veremos!

Hubo otro incidente de coches en el parque hace poco. Gracias a los que llamaron a la policía y insistieron en que vinieran – el DPD prometió poner multas y el departamento de parques y recreación vio que había aberturas en la finca. Llenarán la aberturas y instalarán unos postes más fuertes. Otra vez, si ves actividades sospechosas o ilegales en el parque o el barrio, llame a la policía. Menos mal que reciban diez llamadas sobre la misma cosa que diez personas piensen que otra persona ya les ha llamado. La policía es el músculo para hacer cumplir la ley y mantener la seguridad, pero nosotros somos sus ojos y oídos.

Tradicionalmente, septiembre ha sido el mes en que elegimos nuevos directivos y miembros. Nuestros líderes presentes – Dan Read, el presidente; Cheryl Summers, la secretaria; Brian Green, tesorero – probablemente servirán un año más, pero siempre buscamos ayuda. Si le interesa ayuda, háganos saber. ◀

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## Thanks For Your Generosity!

The DPNA Board

The DPNA Board extends its genuine thanks to recent contributors: Mitch Bowden, Jeff Burch, Paula Compton, Suzanne Faulkner & Nikos, Sandi Gray-Terry, Brian Green, Lark Hayes, Sally Hicks & Richard Hart, Susan & Burch Raper, Claus Sievers, Cheryl Summers. ◀

## DPNA ListServ: Pt. II - Netiquette

Barry Ragin

Last quarter we presented the basics of navigating the DPNA ListServ. In this issue we will review Listserv netiquette – that’s right the common courtesies that we ask all subscribers to observe.

**General Considerations.** Now that you are subscribed to the listserv and know how to reply to ALL or ONE, there are a few guidelines we ask that you follow. Our neighbors discuss everything from new restaurants, to electrician recommendations, to concerns about traffic and suspicious characters, as well as offer a variety of goods and services to our subscribers. There are over 600 subscribers to the list, nearly 500 of which are your neighbors; other subscribers include reporters, police officers, City and County employees, and residents of other neighborhoods. Please consider the number and types of subscribers before you hit the ‘Send’ button on your post. Many things are better left unsaid, or sent only to the person you wish to address. Abusive posts may result in restriction or loss of your posting privileges to the listserv. We also ask that you provide some identifying information in your posts, such as your name (at a minimum) and address (if you prefer). We’re all neighbors, after all.



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**Politics and Religion.** Additionally, we ask that you respect the diversity and privacy of our neighbors. Please refrain from posting partisan political messages, religious proselytizing, and the like. Brief announcements of events and activities that may be of a partisan or religious nature are acceptable, provided they are limited to information concerning time, date, place, etc. This line may be somewhat hard to define, but believe me, our subscribers will let you know when you cross it. *(continued on page 8)*



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## Duke Park Babes Corner

Laurie Siegel and Sarah Schweitzer Cohen

**ELLA CAMILLE COHEN** was born on May 4, 2008 to Sarah Schweitzer Cohen and Joshua Peyrot Cohen. Ella was named for Sarah’s grandfather’s sister. Her middle name, Camille, was an ode to the flowering plant, camellia, which bloomed plentifully in Ella’s first yard. Mom also says, “We picked a flower name for her middle name because she was a perfect, tiny, pink thing—like a little flower.”



Speaking of blooms, Ella has a budding interest in reading, music and walking! She reads books to herself in her crib or spends the day bringing select books to be read to her. When she wants to listen to a CD, Ella signals with a very funny head-bob. Oh, and with her new-found mobility, doing laps around the house, smiling hugely, with arms gleefully in the air is a sight to be seen.

Now when it comes to the economy, Ella may just single-handedly support the dairy industry! That’s because in true summer fashion, she predictably loved her first taste of ice cream; she will eat anything that has cream cheese spread on it and has most recently become a fan of Local Yogurt, a new frozen yogurt shop on University. (Be sure to check it out at [www.localyogurt.com](http://www.localyogurt.com).)

It’s pretty safe to say that the Cohen family is happy to call Duke Park home. They love seeing all the families on walks and at the park, and hope to see you some Saturday morning on their stroll down to the Farmer’s Market! ◀

### 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](mailto:lauriesiegel824@gmail.com).

**Speedsters Drive ANPG Action**

Cheryl Summers

Drivers speeding around the traffic circles at Markham Avenue and Green Street, as well as Roxboro and Knox Streets were greeted with a placard warning them to slow down or be paintballed. Erected by an anonymous group calling itself "Angry Neighbors with Paintball Guns," the signage attracted local and national media attention.

According to MyNC reporter Ginny Skalski,

ANPG tweeted that it had, "reached the limits of our patience with the City's inability to address neighborhood speeding in Durham, NC." In an interview with WRAL-5 reporter Erin Hartness, Glendale Avenue resident Rusty Haynes stated that as a frequent biker, he routinely comes to a halt at the traffic circle to prevent being "plowed over" by speeding vehicles. Also interviewed was DPNA Board member Angelo Abbate, who asserted that the sign "shows neighborhood initiative" to protect residents—particularly parents who walk with strollers *without benefit of a sidewalk*—from vehicles racing over the speed limit. Long-time resident Harold Scroggs revealed to WTVD-11 reporter Anthony Wilson, that while he does not believe anyone in this neighborhood would paintball a vehicle, he does agree that drivers need to "slow it down."



Photographer: Pete James.

ANPG did not state that it would actually paintball speeding vehicles—an act that would be treated as a criminal offense, according to Durham Police. The group reportedly expressed that its aim was to see a return to the "PACE Cars" traffic calming program designed by Durham Police to help drivers

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stay within speed limits. DPD spokesperson Kammie Michael revealed that the anti-speeding program had been discontinued due to recent budget cuts and reduction in staff. A statement from Durham Police also concerned itself with the potential danger to otherwise law-abiding motorists whose attention to driving could be distracted because of the signs.

ANPG released an email stating that the purpose of its signs (which have since been removed) was to remind the City of "a problem that needs to be solved." We sure hope that it will take neither paintballing passing cars, nor grieving over the passing of someone's life before a **pro-safety** action is taken to drive speedsters out of Duke Park. ◀

**Durham Central Market Update**

Robin Arcus  
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our table on Saturday mornings at the Durham Farmers' Market.

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**DPNA ListServ: Pt. II - Netiquette**

Barry Ragin  
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Finally, being a DPNA ListServ subscriber does not automatically make you a member of the Neighborhood Association. DPNA meets monthly, on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 7 pm. We currently meet at our president's house on Acadia St. We host three potluck dinners a year, plus a picnic and kids' parade in Duke Park on the 4th of July. We are also involved in numerous projects and committees both within the neighborhood and throughout the City and County. We would love to see you at our meetings and events, and we all look forward to meeting you. Duke Park is a very special place, and it's kept that way by our neighbors. Thanks, and we'll look for you online and at our events. ◀



## Lo Nuevo Sobre los Desechos Solidos

Barry Ragin (Traducido por Nathaniel y Betty Rewey)  
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grandes, usted debe tener su contenedor en la acera el martes por la noche donde sera anotado por el operador que recoge la basura normal y luego será recogido el jueves. Si usted tiene desechos como palos de árbol que no caben en el contenedor POR FAVOR no los acumule en la acera; para eso usted necesita organizar una recogida de desechos de jardin grandes (Bulky Brush). Los subscriptores de desechos de jardin tienen dos "Bulky Brush" gratis al año. Recogidas adicionales están disponibles pero uno tiene que pagar. Los que no estan suscritos también pueden pagar para que el "Bulky Brush" sea recogida. Actualmente la ciudad solo recogerá las hojas del otoño que esten en bolsas de papel (por favor no sople sus hojas a la calle debido a que es difícil que la ciudad venga y las recoja). Usted puede poner un maximo de 10 bolsas de hojas al lado de su contendor café cada semana. Las bolsas que estén en la acera sin contenedor café al lado probablemente no serán recojidos. Bolsas negras de plastico u otros contenedores tampoco serán recojidas.


Para aprender información mas detallada acerca del programa de reciclaje, desechos toxicos de la casa, articulos grandes excluidos, llame los números abajo o visite las siguientes páginas de Internet.

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## 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

Fall is on its way. Much too soon, I fear, after the real pageantry of summer with its kaleidoscope of color and sensory delights. Seems like just yesterday that gardenias were blooming and perfuming the air—from my own backyard with its abundant flora, to our beloved Durham Farmers' Market with its bounty of fresh cut ones. I'm not quite ready for the flowers to brown and wither away. I suppose I could dry or press them to preserve their beauty, but their living intensity of color would be lost. Maybe I should consider plastic? Ok. Perhaps not. But here is a meditation on plastic flowers written by Duke Parker Heather Angelika Dooley, who did try them out for a time.

### Superficial

Oh, graceful saffron butterfly,  
 those flowers are made of plastic  
 don't you know?!

Sometimes that is all that'll grow  
 when life goes to pot.

I'm so sorry.

It was just a beautifying remedy, really.  
 In essence, there is no sweet essence,  
 but it sure looked that way, didn't it?  
 Nah, they're synthetic.

It is an age-old saccharine secret(ion).

Flowers attract insects and nourish them.  
 It's a life cycle I thought I'd try and change,  
 but every now and again, a graceful saffron butterfly,  
 such as yourself, shows up.

Then I wish I hadn't planted plastic.

It is so easy to get used to the immature, wingless worms,  
 still in their feeding stage,  
 that haven't undergone metamorphosis.

But I suppose I'm the one who's plastic now  
 if I have no nectar for you ...

...when you finally come around.

### Have a Favorite Poem?

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## Cryptogram

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

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**Cryptogram Solution**

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If winter is slumber and spring is birth, and summer is life, then autumn rounds out to be reflection. It's a time of year when the leaves are down and the harvest is in and the perennials are gone.

-Mitchell Burgess, *Northern Exposure*, 1992

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