

Welcome / Recognition of Visitors / Membership Reminder

Total # of attendees = 31 (no first time visitors)

Announcements

- Tomorrow, January 9, there will be a Charlotte Farmers' Markets Community Meeting at Warehouse 242, 2307 Wilkinson Blvd. The purpose of the meeting is to explore strategies to strengthen Charlotte's farmers' markets and food system.
- The City of Charlotte's Civic Leadership Academy is a free 11 session course designed for residents who are ready to take the next step in being community leaders and improving the quality of life in all of Charlotte's neighborhoods. The Civic Leadership Academy will provide participants the opportunity to grow in their leadership, analyze issues using data, connect with decision makers and other Charlotte leaders, and make a difference in their communities. Applications are currently being accepted. More details at charmeck.org
- The Madison Park Book Club (now Mad Book Club) will meet on Tuesday, January 23th at 6:30 pm at the Charlotte Cafe to select books for 2018. Bring a couple of selections that have read to present to the group.

For more info, contact Gay Hurst at gay.hurst@gmail.com

- The next 2nd Friday Social will be held at Sir Edmund Halley's on the back of Park Road Shopping Center, on Friday February 9th starting at 6:00 pm
- CROWN update (Thank you Margaret!) – CROWN is changing its meeting location to Discovery Center Nature. Their January meeting is January 9 and will focus on the Wonderful World of Woodpeckers. More details are here: <https://www.crowncharlotte.org/community-programs.html>
- Madison Park 5K is March 10, 2018 at 8:00am. It will start/end at Pasta & Provisions on Park. Details and registration can be found: <https://madpark5k.wordpress.com/>
- Check out the yoga classes at Marion Deihl Recreational Center. They come highly recommended by your neighbors!

Community Reports

Summary

Incident Type	Frequency
Larceny-Other	1
Residential Burglary	1
Total	2

Listing

Complaint No.	Date	Address	Incident Type
20171212-1543-02	12-DEC-2017	19000 MILFORD RD	Larceny-Other
20171216-0528-03	16-DEC-2017	4600 BAYBERRY DR	Residential Burglary

The larceny on Milford – the victim reported that the known suspect took her keys and won't give them back.

The Break-in on Bayberry – the victim reported that he spent the night at a friend's house and while he was gone his house was broken into. The victim reported that a TV and his dog was stolen.

Treasurer's Report

WF Balance	\$7425.67
Dec 1-31	
4-Dec Public Storage	\$62
11-Dec Dues	\$20.09
12-Dec Tree Banding	\$1,309.21
12-Dec Dunkin Donuts	\$6.16
12-Dec Angel Tree	\$221.79
MP Balance	\$8,465.02
WF Balance	\$8,465.02

President's Report

- Douglas will be participating in the Stitch Together CLT initiative this year. The goal of the project is to help develop the next generation of community leaders in Charlotte.
- On January 24th, I will be attending the Open Streets 704 Neighborhood Leaders Input Session.
- Thanks to Carly for working with Kelsey Healey, the counselor at Pinewood Elementary, to provide contributions to the Pinewood Angel Tree. We be provide for 2 students, a boy and a girl.
- I have reached out to the neighboring communities of Montclair, Collingwood, Colonial Village, Freedom Park and Sedgefield in regards to creating a coalition of communities that may provide greater influence when addressing certain development and government issues.

Speakers

- Julianne Shelton - Charlotte Area Transit
 - Blue Line Extension: New line opens on March 16, 2018
 - 11 stations and 4 parking locations in this new 9 mile extension (doubling the current milage)
 - \$2.20 is the price you pay to ride (no change)
 - Lots of train testing happening along N. Tryon with signals and such that haven't been operational until now. Be patient and stay vigilant.
 - On March 16 when the new extension opens there will also be an increase in train frequency to 7 minutes between trains.
 - Replacing all ticket vending machines between now and March 16. The new machines will accept multiple forms of payment.
 - CatsPass has been launched. This allows you to purchase your train fare through an app on your phone. Soon you will be able to also purchase bus fare through this app as well – not yet though.
 - CatsSeeSay app has also launched. Cats See Something, Say Something. Report suspicious activity through the app to help keep the public transportation system safe.
 - Uptown to the Airport (West Corridor) and Uptown to Mooresville (Red Line) studies are going on now. These are part of the Cats System 2030 plan.
 - In April 2018 you can expect to see new rail options coming.
 - In 2018 you will see a new Gateway Transit Center that will bring AmTrak service to Uptown.
 - Check out www.ridetransit.org for more information

Elections

Board Members reviewed and voted on include:

- Jennifer Delorme
- George Palmer
- Joanne Joy
- Tom Im
- Elaine Aldridge
- Warren Childers
- Aaron Moody
- Ruth Tansill
- Eric Stenstrom
- Carly Baker
- Russell Hodge
- Douglas Welton

All members were voted onto the Board with no exceptions.

Congratulations to the new board! 😊

February Meeting reminders

The next MPHQA meeting will be on Monday, February 12th at 7:00 pm. Speaker - TBD