



OAKWOOD

The Newsletter of the Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood

February 1997



President's Corner

Hello to those of you I have not seen so far this year. I hope your holidays were happy ones and that you are adjusting to a normal schedule now that they are over. I want to thank all the officers and board members who have committed to helping me this year. I encourage all you who are interested in attending our meetings to please join us on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Tucker House. We welcome your presence, concerns and compliments. I would like to take this opportunity to extend a special word of thanks to Dave Philbrook, president of the society for part of 1995 and all of 1996. We appreciate Dave's leadership and endless efforts in guiding us through the year!



Jean Earp

Durham Bulls' Outing



Back by popular demand! Historic Oakwood will be traveling to the Durham Bulls game on Saturday, April 12. We have reserved seats for the game at a reduced price of \$5.00 per ticket. The society is sponsoring the event by providing chartered bus transportation to and from the game. The bus will leave the Common (corner of East and Boundary) at 5:30 p.m. and return to the Common following the game. Seats on the bus are limited to 47. If you prefer to take your own transportation, tickets may still be purchased with the group. To reserve seats, call Sharon Waidler at 833-2875. Tickets will be available on the week prior to the game, or you may pick them up at the Common prior to departure on the 12th.

Game time: 7 p.m.

Opponent: Wilmington, DE (Kansas City)

Come see our name in lights! Join the fun!

1997 Officers and Board Members

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Tour Chair	Peter Andrews	832-0297	Sharon Waidler	833-2875

Newsletter Update

Our next newsletter will be coming out in April. If you have an article to submit, please drop it in the mail slot at 318 Polk St. by March 22.

Pat McQuaid
Editor

25th Tour a Tremendous Success



The 25th annual Oakwood Candlelight Tour of Homes was a tremendous success. We sold far more tickets, took in far more money in ticket sales, and made a far higher net profit than ever before. Comparison with the previous three years follows:

	1996	1995	1994	1993
Tickets Sold	3213	2146	2345	2079
Funds Generated	\$29,135	\$18,523	\$17,682	\$15,568

(The 1993, 1994, and 1995 tours were extremely successful, record-setting tours!)



The total gross, including donations, was \$29,485. The net profit was \$23,523.16. Judging from the visitors I talked to and comments made by other people, I think everyone was delighted with the quality of the homes and the warmth and friendliness extended to them.

Why was this tour such a success? I believe there are at least five reasons: great weather, great media coverage, the banner, the fact that this was the 25th anniversary tour, and the reputation that we have built over the years. The fundamental reason for our success is that nearly everyone in the neighborhood pitched in and helped. I'd like to thank the following people:

- Brett Liverman, for serving as treasurer and as my right-hand man
- Jean Earp, for coordinating the "After the Tour Party" which was a great success
- Oakley Herring, for coordinating Ticket Sales
- Don Grose, for coordinating the "Porch Hosts"
- Paige Garriques, for coordinating the "Youth Guides"
- Peggie Feddersen, for coordinating music
- Sharon Waidler, for her work on publicity
- Jean Earp, Ruth Sappie and Jackie Lurwick, for getting the banner approved by City Council
- Rusty Lurwick and Mike Talbot, for their daring assistance in hanging the banner
- Ann Miller and Jackie Lurwick, for decorating the Oakwood Signs (at a great cost saving!)
- Ann Miller, Rose Schwetz, and the Oakwood Garden Club for providing Tucker House refreshments
- Julie Seibert, Diane Deresienski, and Katherine White for hosting the Saturday and Sunday brunches and Saturday dinner for the homeowners
- Doug Earp, for coordinating cleanup, a job made particularly difficult by Hurricane Fran debris
- Jerry Blow, for photographing the tour houses
- Gretchen Bailey, for assisting where needed
- To all the homeowners, without whom there would have been no tour
- To all the neighbors who served as porch hosts, and inside persons
- And finally, to my wife Carolyn, who allowed me to put our phone number in the news releases, and who answered as many as 30 calls per day as the tour approached.

Peter V. Andrews
Tour Chair

1996 Tour Homeowners



Once again we wish to extend a special thanks to the homeowners without whose time, effort, and generosity there would have been no tour! Three cheers for the homeowners!

Jim and Camille Barnett
Rick and Cindy Burris
Shelmer Blackburn
Dana Folley
Howard and Ann Miller
Rick Revoire and Stewart Brinsfield

Glenn and Ruth Sappie
Carter Skinner and Chapman Williams
The Oakwood Inn
Bed & Breakfast Inn
The William Thomas House
Bed & Breakfast Inn

Proposed Reassignment for Oakwood Students



Wake County Public Schools has just recently published the proposed school reassignments for the 1997-98 school year. The Oakwood residential area is included in this proposal. The recommendation is that Oakwood's base middle school be changed from Carnage Middle School to Daniels Middle School. If you are concerned about this proposal, there will be a public hearing regarding the 1997-98 student assignment plan February 20, 1997 at Sanderson High School at 7 p.m. If you are presently attending Carnage and wish to continue you MUST apply as a magnet student. Be sure to mail the application on the first allowable date as priority is set by postmark. Persons wishing to apply for a magnet middle school in the fall should do likewise. Magnet school application forms are available in all the schools .

Pat McQuaid

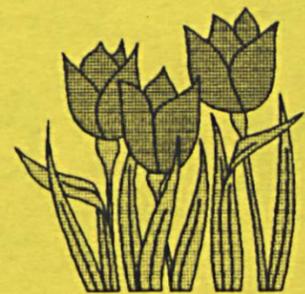
Well Said Neighbor!

Congratulations to Oakwood resident Camille Cates Barnett. Dr. Barnett, a senior international municipal specialist at the Research Triangle Institute and former City Manager of Austin, Texas, was recently named as one of "10 Worth Watching in 1997" by the News and Observer.

In the January 5th article, Camille identified her Historic Oakwood home as one of her main interests. She was quoted as saying "A lot of the ways we're talking about planning for the Triangle is to create neighborhoods with the vitality that Oakwood has."

Well said, neighbor! Thanks.

Tom Gongaware



Garden Club Welcomes New 1997 Residents

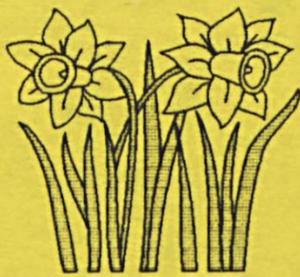
Recently the Garden Club welcomed some new residents to Oakwood. They each received a gift basket together with information about the neighborhood. Our new neighbors since January 1997 are:

Joel Byrd & Robin Lacarelli
Mary Chambers
Rocky McMahon
Douglas & Elizabeth Neely

602 E.Franklin St
609 N.Boundary St
506 N.Bloodworth St
521 N.Bloodworth St

Gregory Johnson
Pat Donohue
Larry Snerra

324 Pell St.
523 N.East St.
315 N.Boundary St



Submitted By
Sherilyn Talbot

After-Tour Party

Many thanks to all of you who helped me pull together the after-tour party! I truly appreciate all of the food that was cooked and delivered as well as all of the helping hands before, during, and after the party. It was a lot of fun and I could not have done it without you!

Jean Earp

Christmas Cookie Bakers and Tea Time

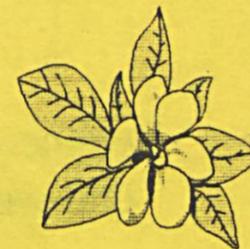
Many thanks to all the neighbors who baked cookies for the 1996 Christmas Tour. The cookies and Russian tea served at the Tucker House are a welcome sight to all the visitors who take the tour. It is even more special when the cookies are baked by the neighbors. A special thank you to Ann Miller for making the tea, and to Rose Schwetz for coordinating the cookie baking, as well as all the neighbors and Garden Club members who helped to serve. You made our neighborhood special!

Jackie Twisdale

'96 Preview Tour

The 1996 Christmas Preview Tour was held on December 12. It was the best attended Preview Tour ever sponsored by the society. This success was due to the efforts of many people. The preview is the only formal / semi-formal affair held in Oakwood. It brings out all the sharply dressed men and ladies in party dresses. This year the weather was beautiful and the food top class. Side Street restaurant supplied the food which featured: Poached Salmon; Pork and Beef Tenderloin; and many more tasty treats. A big thanks to the efforts of Mary Lou Wooten and the Side Street staff. The music was supplied by our own "Oakwood Waites." We appreciate their donation of time and talent. All this together with Oakwood's already irresistible charm made this a fun evening for everyone.

We would like to extend a word of thanks to the hosts, whose efforts made the evening possible. The homes were beautifully decorated and the hosts graciously shared them with our visitors.



Thank You Homeowners:

George & Norrish Rosgonyi
 Sam & Bonnie Stone
 Donald Matthews & Betsy Buford
 Bill & Hildred Hutchins

A Special Thank You to:

Howard and Ann Miller
 Jean Earp
 Rose Schwetz
 Rusty Lurwick
 Elaine Ford
 Our Tour Guides & Sponsors

Tucker House Hosts
 Sponsors
 Wine Connoisseur
 Publications
 Tucker House

I hope we didn't leave anyone out. It was a large event and many people helped to make it successful. Thank You

Jackie Twisdale
 Preview Tour Chair

Oakwood Garden Club Bake Sale!



Love to bake? Love to eat? Either way you'll have the chance to do it on Saturday, April 26th at the Oakwood Common. This is the day the Oakwood Garden Club will be sponsoring a bake sale fundraiser in conjunction with the annual H.A.N.D.S. herb sale and the Oakwood Garden Tour. The bake sale will begin at 8 a.m. and continue until the food is all gone (around 1 p.m.).

If you would like to donate homemade baked goods, please call Sharon Waidler at 833-2875. Don't forget to come by and purchase some of your neighbor's yummy creations! We appreciate your support!

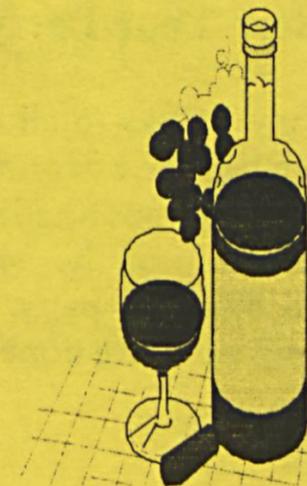
Oakwood cookbooks will also be available for \$10 each.

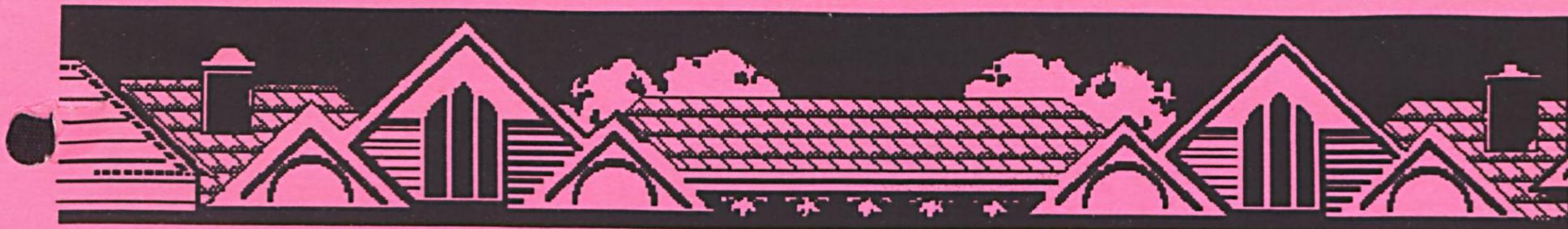
Oakwood Athletic Club

On the last Sunday of the month, except January and December, Oakwood residents gather at a prearranged place at 6:30 p.m. with a beverage of choice and an hors d'oeuvre to share. This is a casual affair that allows us to catch up with each other and meet new neighbors. Please mark your calendar for the next few months so that you'll be sure to join in. Thank you hosts! These are the hosts for February through June:

February 23	Rose & Bern Schwetz	415 North Boundary St.
March 23	Stewart Brinsfield & Rick Revoire	528 East Jones St.
April 27	Ann Robertson	312 Oakwood Avenue
May 25	Betty Buford & Donald Matthews	321 East Lane St.
June 29	Pat & Jerry McCrain	522 Oakwood Avenue

Note: Due to Easter Sunday we will meet March 23 instead of March 30.





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With a warm welcome to spring we look forward to a calendar of events here in our neighborhood. On April 12, a group of Oakwood residents will enjoy an evening at Durham Athletic Club with family and friends. Many thanks to Sharon Waidler for organizing this event. On April 15, the infamous Pink Truck will breeze through our neighborhood to help with the heavy-duty spring cleaning. Watch out for those after dark shoppers searching through the piles for that special find! Don't forget the Athletic Club on the last Sunday of each month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Everyone is invited. Please bring hors d'oeuvres to share and a beverage of your choice.

The community development committee proudly announces the sale of 218 Elm St. and welcomes the Callahan family. Many thanks to Sherilyn Talbot for her work in selling this property. Community development has also followed the proposed project for Governor's Square at the corner of Person and Franklin streets - home of the old Winn Dixie. This condominium complex will add residential flavor to the Person Street business district and enhance this otherwise vacant lot.

Jean Earp

Jazz Brunch

This year's Jazz Brunch will be held on Sunday, June 1 at the Common. The Steve Hobb's Band will be performing from 10 a.m. to noon. The Society will provide cool beverages and hot coffee. Bring a blanket and a covered dish to share.

The annual awards ceremony will be held during the brunch. Come out and recognize the contributions of individuals inside and outside the community who help make Oakwood a special place to live. Remember to fill out the enclosed nomination forms!



Durham Bulls Outing

There are still ten tickets available for the ride to the Durham Bulls game on Saturday, April 12. The bus will leave the Common at 5:30 p.m. and return immediately following the game. Tickets are \$5 per person. Oakwood seating is reserved behind home plate. Please call Sharon Waidler at 833-2875 if you are interested in reserving a seat! All tickets can be paid for and picked up at the Common on the 12th, prior to departure



Athletic-Club Dates

April 27	Ann Robertson	312 Oakwood Avenue
May 25	Betsy Buford & Donald Matthews	321 East Lane St.
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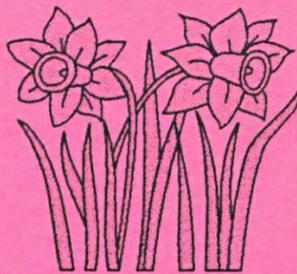
Newsletter Update

Our next newsletter will be coming out early in June. If you have an article to submit, please drop it in the mail slot at 318 Polk St. by May 20.

Pat McQuaid
Editor

Garden Tour

The Oakwood Garden Club will be hosting this year's Garden Tour on April 26 and 27 from 1p.m. to 5 p.m. The tour tickets will be sold at the Oakwood Common and will cost \$8. The club will also be holding a bake sale starting at 8 a.m. If you would like to bake one of your favorite recipes or are interested in helping during the sale, please call Sharon Waidler at 833-2875. Volunteering to help is a great way to meet the members of the club and to become acquainted with the club's many activities. If you are interested, please call Ann Miller at 832-2676 or Carolyn Andrews at 832-0297.



Submitted by
Rose Schwetz

Herb Sale



H.A.N.D.S. (Home and Neighborhood Development Sponsors) will be holding an herb sale at the Oakwood Common from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 26, and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on April 27. H.A.N.D.S. and the Oakwood Garden Club have decided to co-sponsor the event. The proceeds will go to beautification projects throughout the city. The "Fran" storm last fall has left us with many areas of our communities in need of repair.

Submitted by
Rose Schwetz

Vallie Henderson Park Cleanup

The Oakwood Garden Club is looking for neighborhood volunteers to clean up the Vallie Henderson Park for the new year and the Spring Garden Tour. The park, which is one of two neighborhood parks in Oakwood, suffered considerable damage during Fran, including uprooted trees and damaged fences. If you would like to help, please bring yourself, rakes, clippers, gloves, hammers, nails, etc. to the park on one of the following dates:

Saturday	April 12	9 a.m. to noon
Sunday	April 13	9 a.m. to noon

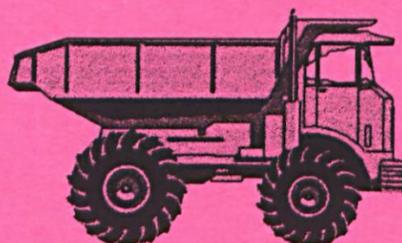
The park is located at the corner of Linden and Oakwood Avenues, across from the entrance to the Oakwood Cemetery.

Call Rusty Lurwick at 834-6217 and leave a message if you wish to attend.



Annual Yard Sale

The 500 block of N. East St. will be having their annual yard sale on Saturday, April 19. We will be advertising in the News and Observer and the Ad Pak. It is a great time to do some spring cleaning. We hope you will join in the fun and set up in front of your house. We suggest placing signs at either end of our block directing people your way. Remember: "One man's junk is another man's treasure."

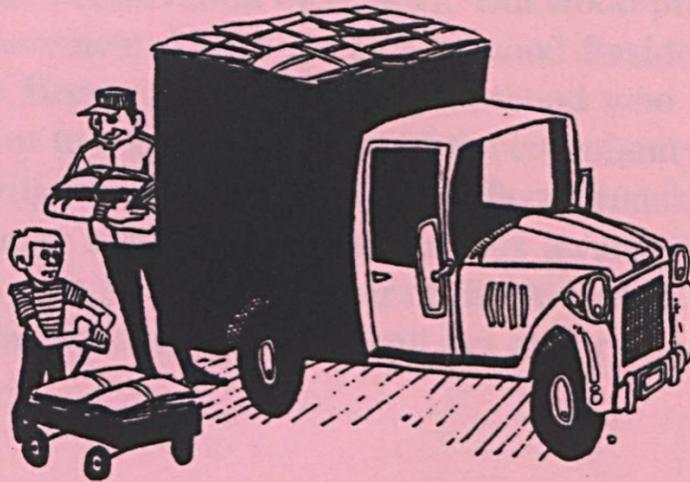


H.A.N.D.S. Sponsored "Pink Truck"

The "Pink Truck" will be in Oakwood on Tuesday, April 15, 1997. Bring your trash to the curb by 7:30 a.m. H.A.N.D.S. (Home and Neighborhood Development Sponsors) sponsors this annual neighborhood cleanup. The special pink truck picks up all kinds of junk including furniture, appliances and yard waste. However engines or parts of engines, hazardous materials, tires, batteries, paint or building materials will not be taken.

Let's all take advantage of this opportunity!

The "Pink Truck" Annual Trash Pick-up



Oakwood Residents this is your chance to do your spring cleaning and the City will haul it off at no charge. Don't miss this opportunity to get rid of the junk.

When

Tuesday, April 15, 1997 (Mark your Calendar)

Time

Pick-up between 7:30am & 4:00pm

Items that **will** be picked-up include Air Conditioners, Bathroom Fixtures, Clothes Dryers, Dishwashers, Furniture, Mattresses & Springs, Refrigerators, Sinks, Stoves, TV's, Water Heaters, Wood Scraps, and other ready to discard items. Yard Waste (leaves-small limbs) must be bagged in clear bags as usual. Please place these items at curbside so they may be picked up by the Truck Crane.

These items will **not** be picked-up: Car engines or parts, hazardous materials, dirt, rocks or building materials, batteries, paint, gas, or paint thinners, tires and no items too big for the Crane such as Stumps or logs. Sort materials placed at curbside for pickup by the various work crews.

"Special Thanks"

Our special thanks to our neighbor, Mary Lou Wooten at Side Street Restaurant for supplying the Trash Crew with Lunch while they are collecting in Oakwood.

sponsored by:

The Oakwood Garden Club ,H.A.N.D.S., and the City of Raleigh

SOCIETY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC OAKWOOD
NOMINATION FORM
SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR AN OAKWOOD RESIDENT

The Bylaws of the Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood provide for the selection of persons who receive the Society's Special Achievement Award for an Oakwood Resident. The person chosen to receive this award will be a current resident of the Historic Oakwood neighborhood who has made an outstanding contribution to the Oakwood community as a whole or to a specific project of the community. The Board of Directors will review the nominations and the presentation will take place at the annual Jazz Brunch which will be held this year on June 1, 1997. Only residents of Oakwood may nominate persons for this award. Please make your nomination on this form and turn it in by April 23, 1997 to Ann Robertson, Chair of the Awards Committee, at her home, 312 Oakwood Avenue. If you have questions about this process, you may call her at her home at 828-4954 or at her office at 834-7004.

Name of nominee _____

Address of nominee _____

Telephone number of nominee _____

Indicate why you think that this person should receive the Special Achievement Award for an Oakwood Resident. (An additional page may be attached, if needed.)

The information gathering has started for the 1997 Oakwood Directory. The directory is an important source of information for us to know our neighborhood. Please fill out the information below and return to one of the following drop-off locations:

- 710 North Florentine St.
- 507 Oakwood Ave.
- 200 Elm St.

The directory will be listed alphabetically as well as by street. If there is more than one last name at the household, last names will be listed alphabetically. Phone numbers are optional.

Directory Information

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ (optional)

If you do not wish to be listed in the directory please check here _____

Name of person(s) making this nomination _____

Address _____

Oakwood Home For Year _____

Telephone number _____

Name of person(s) making this nomination _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____

SOCIETY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC OAKWOOD
NOMINATION FORM FOR HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

The Bylaws of the Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood provide for the selection of persons to be Honorary Members of the Society. The person chosen to be an Honorary Member will be an individual who is not a current resident of the Historic Oakwood neighborhood and who has made an outstanding contribution to the Oakwood community as a whole or to a specific project of the community. The Board of Directors will review the nominations and the presentation will take place at the Jazz Brunch to be held on June 1, 1997. Only residents of Oakwood may nominate persons for this award. Please make your nomination on this form and turn it in by April 23, 1997 to Ann Robertson, Chair of the Awards Committee, at her home, 312 Oakwood Avenue. If you have questions about this process, you may call her at her home at 828-4954 or at her office at 834-7004.

Name of nominee _____

Address of nominee _____

Telephone number of nominee _____

Indicate why you think that this person should be selected for Honorary Membership. (An additional page may be attached, if needed.)

Name of person(s) making this nomination _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____

Congratulations and Welcome!

The Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood has sold 218 Elm Street to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Callahan and family, effective February 28, 1997. Renovations are well under way and the Callahans hope to move in officially in a few months. A big thank you to all supporting neighbors in the selling efforts. This wonderful has now been returned to single-family use!

Submitted by
Sherilyn Talbot
The Prudential Carolina Realty

Oakwood Residents Win Award

Congratulations to Ann and Howard Miller for winning the Fred Fletcher Award through the city of Raleigh. This award is in recognition of their dedication and service to the city parks in our neighborhood over the last four years. Many thanks to you Ann and Howard for all your hard work!!



Submitted by
Jean Earp

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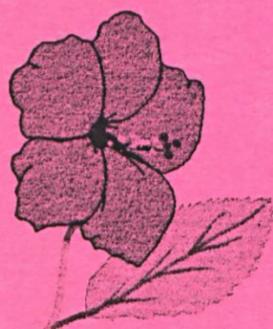
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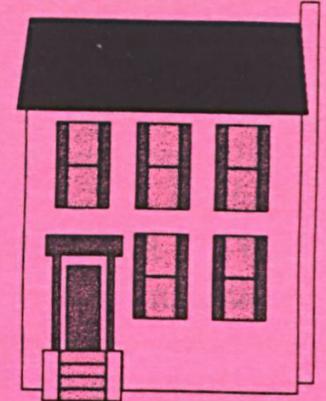


Oakwood House For Rent

An Oakwood couple are going on sabbatical from June through November and would like to rent their home. The three-bedroom house is fully furnished and would be perfect for a small family, here temporarily, or new arrivals who want to rent before they buy. If you know anyone interested, please call 821-9228, any time.

Governor's Square

Developer Roland Gammon has announced plans for a 48 unit residential condominium development on the former Winn Dixie/IGA grocery store site, at the corner of Person and Franklin streets, in the Oakwood/Mordecai Business District. Roland Gammon was the developer of the Cotton Mill condo project just west of Logan's Trading Company.



The project, which has been named Governor's Square, will consist of two three-story buildings of 24 units each. Pulled back from the sidewalk behind decorative fencing, the buildings will flank an urban courtyard. Unit sizes will range from around 692 square feet to 815 square feet with pre-construction prices ranging from \$71,900 to \$89,000. Sales are being handled by White Oak Properties, 821-4665.

Mr. Gammon spoke at the March board meeting of the Society and addressed concerns of Oakwood residents and neighbors. Affected neighbors and the community development committee have worked on remaining issues and we understand that agreement has been reached on most or all concerns.

Submitted by
Tom Gongaware

School Reassignment



Ian Shields and two other Oakwood parents attended the school board public hearing on February 20 where Ian spoke in favor of having all of Oakwood assigned to the same schools. We have been trying to get this to happen for a few years now, but it is a small issue that seems to get lost in the larger problems of reassignment. If you would like the affected blocks of Lane St, Jones St, and Linden Ave united with the rest of Oakwood for schooling, please call Dr, John Gilbert, chairman of the school board at 850-8869, or Ms. Linda Batdorf, director of student assignment at 850-1921 to add your support.

Submitted by Ian Shields

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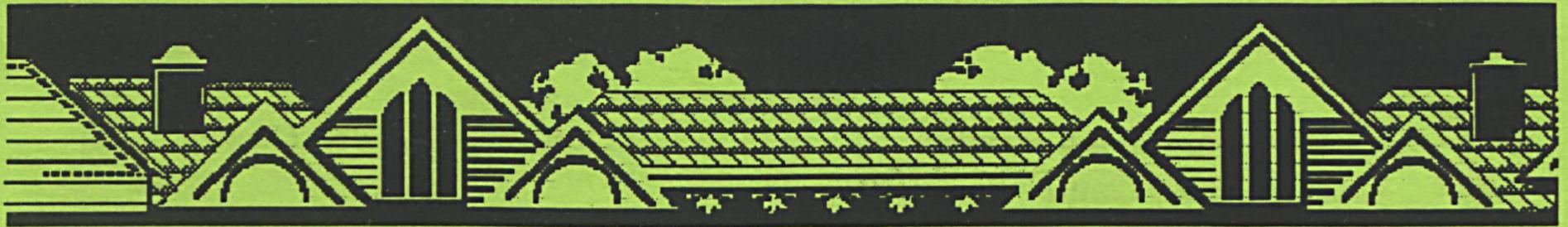
EDITOR



Thanks

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Ian Shields



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I believe that the warm days of summer are finally here and I hope your plans for summer projects are in place. These days make for great porch sitting and I look forward to seeing neighbors out and about doing whatever it is that we do best. There are several neighborhood events in June and July that are sure to be a lot of fun.

The Jazz Brunch and Annual Awards Ceremony will be held on June 1 at the Common. A big thank you to Sharon Waidler for organizing the brunch and to Ann Robertson for her dedication to the awards committee.

The July Fourth parade and picnic will be at the Common. I appreciate all the work of the chairs of the childrens and social committees.

I would like to welcome Kim Jackson, 603 Polk St., as a new board member. Kim took over the term for Gretchen Bailey who moved to California.

The Society has just printed 10,000 new copies of our walking tour brochure. They are available through the Visitor's Center on North Blount Street. Board meetings are at 7:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Tucker House on North Person Street. I encourage anyone who is interested to come along. We welcome new faces, ideas and enthusiasm.

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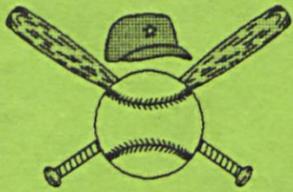


Decorate Your Wheels!

Decorate your bikes, trikes, big wheels and little red wagons for the Oakwood July Fourth parade. Best decorations will win 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes. All ages are invited to join in the fun. The parade will begin at 3 p.m., Friday July 4th at the Oakwood Common and proceed down East Street. The annual July Fourth picnic will follow at the Common where there will be games and snacks for the kids. Contact Carter Hubbard at 546-0931 or Kim Jackson at 836-9321 for more details.



Oakwood vs. Boylan Heights Softball Game



**Sunday June 1
3 p.m.
Jaycee Park**

The annual Oakwood vs. Boylan Heights softball game will take place on Sunday, June 1 at 3 p.m. A relaxed covered-dish supper will follow the game. Bring along your bat, glove, blanket or chair, plates, utensils, drinks for your group, and a covered dish to share. Everyone is welcome to play or cheer on the Oakwood Termites! For further information call Kathy and Bruce Miller at 834-6003. A volleyball court will also be available.

Oakwood Garden Club Dinner



Each year the Oakwood Garden Club hosts its annual covered-dish dinner. This dinner gives the club a chance to thank family and friends who have supported us with the various projects throughout the year and to invite other neighbors who are interested in the work of the club. The club will purchase Baked Chicken Divan and hope you will join us and bring a favorite dish to share. New members need not bring a dish.

Where: Annie Barbours, 218 N. East St.
When: Thursday, June 5 at 6:30 p.m.
RSVP: Ann Miller 832-2676 by June 2

Cotillion Anyone???

The recent publication of the Oakwood Youth Directory has brought to our attention just how many young people now live in the neighborhood. There are many in that very special age group called adolescence. To the parents of this group this article is addressed.

Do you want your kid to know how to waltz, cha-cha or even do the Carolina beach-bop? Would you really like your kid to learn how to behave at a school dance, a neighborhood party, or a family wedding reception? How about learning the finer points of deportment such as "it is the responsibility of each person at a gathering to help insure that everyone is having a good time." You remember how that is done, don't you? See that all guests are included in the general conversation, that each wall flower is invited to dance, that shy people are complimented on their manners, looks, attire or dancing skills.

Trinity United Methodist Church has agreed to let us use their recreation room to hold a neighborhood cotillion. We plan to invite the Mordecai neighborhood youth as well as any young members of Trinity to make up the class. Cotillion classes will be held after school, weekly, or bi-weekly. The per child cost is likely to be \$300 for



the school year. Consideration will be given to the creation of scholarships for youth from Halifax Court.

The goal is to make this a positive activity for all those involved. We are in the process of organizing and your suggestions are solicited. We need foremost an instructor that the youth will respect and enjoy. A very real possibility is to do a branch of the Raleigh Junior Cotillion Club. Headed by Anetta

Jones Hoggard, this group has been operated by the same family since 1958. She is available on Wednesdays and is willing to commit to us for a full school year if we have at least 16 youths in 6th to 8th or even 9th grade.

Interested parents should contact Pamela Davison at 834-3520 and leave your name and address. Pamela will be glad to answer questions, accept suggestions or even forward an application.

P.S.

Everyone listed should have received a copy of the Oakwood Youth Directory. If you haven't received one call Pamela Davison at 834-3520.

Submitted by Pamela Davison

Hungry Neck Rezoning

About a dozen Oakwood Residents attended the city council's public hearing for the rezoning proposals of the Hungry Neck North area on May 20. Hungry Neck comprises Edenton Street adjacent to Historic Oakwood properties in the 100 block of North East Street and the 500 to 600 blocks of East Jones Street. It is part of the city's redevelopment plan for the Edenton / New Bern corridor. Rezoning proposals include the removal of historic district overlay and change of current mixed zoning to R-20 zoning. A Raleigh Historic Districts Commission representative spoke in favor of the plan. A resident of Oakwood and two members of the Idlewild neighborhood also addressed the council. Limited concerns regarding traffic flow onto Edenton Street and removal of historic district status from the property at the corner of East and Edenton were addressed. Otherwise sentiments regarding the plan were essentially favorable.



Submitted by
Crystal Farrow

Congratulations to May-Day Basket Winners

First prize went to Amy and Demir Williford, 616 N. Boundary St., second prize to Ann and Howard Miller, 547 E. Jones St., and third prize to Melissa and Chris Matton, 111 N. Bloodworth St. Honorary children's awards went to Odom Williford, 616 N. Boundary St., and Matthew Long and Denise Smith of 707 N. Bloodworth St. Thanks to the Oakwood Garden Club, Lucia's Fancy Baskets and Florals, and Victoria's Garden and Gifts for donating the prizes.

Submitted by
Sherilyn Talbot



Garden Tour Thanks

Neighbors! Special thanks to all "Oakwoodites" and friends who contributed to the April 26-27 garden tour and bake sale, as well as the wonderful herb sale sponsored by H.A.N.D.S., the citywide garden club organization. In spite of the unexpected rain we had a nice turnout and you might say "it was a bloomin' success" considering the weather.

The Oakwood Garden Club invites new and old neighbors to share in the fun, projects and service to the community by joining the club. Being involved with our many activities is a great way to meet club members and your neighbors. If interested call Carolyn Andrews at 832-0297 or Ann Miller at 832-2676.

Submitted by
Sherilyn Talbot



Bake Sale a Great Success

A big thank you to all of you who supported the bake sale: either by buying, selling or donating baked goods. The sale was a great success and raised \$200. This money will be recycled into the neighborhood wherever the Garden Club sees a need to refurbish.

Submitted by
Sharon Waidler



School Assignments

As of May 26, it appears that all of Oakwood has finally been assigned to the same schools. These are Conn Elementary, Daniels Middle and Broughton High. The new Governor's Square condos are not in the Oakwood district and will be in a different node with different schools. For further information contact the Wake County Public Schools student assignment office at 850-1921.

Submitted by
Ian Shields

Oakwood Couple Seeks Loving Caregiver



Annie and Scott Chapman are looking for a loving caregiver for their six-month old son Connor. They are also open to sharing a nanny with an interested family in the neighborhood. Please contact them at 755-1529 for details.

Submitted by
Annie Chapman

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Upcoming Events

11 June

- 1 Jazz Brunch and Annual Awards
Oakwood Common
10 a.m.
- Softball Game
Jaycee Park
3 p.m.
- 12 Society Board Meeting,
Tucker House
7 p.m.
- 29 Athletic Club, home of Pat and Jerry McCrain
522 Oakwood Ave.
6:30 p.m.

July

- 4 Fourth of July Parade and Picnic
Oakwood Common
3 p.m.
- 10 Society Board Meeting
Tucker House
7 p.m.
- 27 Athletic Club
To be announced

Next Newsletter

Our next newsletter will be coming out in August. If you have an article to submit, please drop it in the mail slot at 318 Polk St. by Aug 15.

Pat McQuaid
Editor

Found

Set of keys at the Common. Call Jean Earp at 832-6420 to identify.



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President's Corner

I hope that you all have had a great summer and have accomplished all of those outdoor projects that were planned. I hope also that everyone that should be back in school is well adjusted.

Recently I have had the very bittersweet experience of moving Vallie Henderson's Oakwood Garden Club scrapbooks and Society records during Vallie's recent move to the Mayview Convalescent Center. I have lived in Oakwood for more than nine years and I thought that I had a fairly good idea of where our neighborhood has come and all of the efforts that so many have extended. I cannot say enough about how overwhelmed I am with the amount of energy and dedication that has been expended over the years. Vallie Henderson has captured the energy in these 8 scrapbooks. If you have the time and the interest in looking through these books please feel free to stop by my shop at 610 North Person St. to take a look. I guarantee that you will enjoy recollecting these accomplishments or realizing the mountains that were moved to preserve our neighborhood.

I found a poem in the midst of so many of the recognitions that Vallie received. I thought that it truly captured the kind of person Vallie is. You will find it on the following page. With this I will say that I am as always very proud to be part of this neighborhood.

Jean Earp



Garden Club Drive

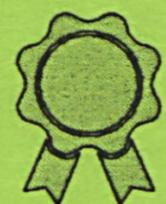
The Oakwood Garden Club is beginning its annual membership drive. The first meeting of the year will be on Thursday, September 4, 1997 at the home of Jean Earp, 720 North Bloodworth St. at 7 p.m. Please join us for gardening and civic-minded projects. We welcome your ideas, enthusiasm and interest. Please come.



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Awards



At our annual Jazz Brunch the Awards

Committee honored those who made outstanding contributions to our neighborhood. The award for Oakwood went to Mamie Bridges of 528 North East Street. The awards for outstanding achievement for non-residents went to Sally and Tim Davis, now of Houston, Texas. Thank you Mamie, Sally and Tim for all you have done for Oakwood!

Tribute to Vallie Henderson

*We have gathered today as you all know
To pay tribute to one we all love so
Her deeds are far too numerous to
mention
But to point out a few is our intention.*



*She never gives up, but continues each day
To further our aims in every way
We've come to love and never doubt her
And cannot imagine life without her.*

*Perhaps she's best known for planting trees
Or working in her garden on her knees
Or maybe her visits to city hall
Are among the things we might recall.*

*She's begged, she's borrowed, and even cried
There are not many things she hasn't tried
To wake us up so we saw the light
She fought each battle with all her might.*

*She's spent her life in beautification
Helping our city stand out in the nation
As one of beautiful oaks and such
Because she was one who cared so much.*

*Her work is not over, she's just begun
To fight the good fight - she thinks it's fun
Her enthusiasm is indeed inspiring
And we love the way she is never tiring.*

*She founded our garden club single-handed
Finding the people to do the things she demanded
And was instrumental in restoring our neighborhood
Into becoming something she knew it could.*

*No doubt you've guessed of whom we speak
We hope during the month there's been no leak
But, Vallie, you mean so very much to us
We name you now our President Emeritus*

Members of the Oakwood Garden Club



Vallie has moved to Mayview Convalescent Center located at 513 East Whitaker Mill Rd. Please stop by to see her when you have a chance.



Social Chair

We welcome Diane Deresienski as our new social chair. Please feel free to call Diane at 828-7520 if you'd like to help with socializing or if you have questions. Many thanks to Sharon Waidler for all her work as social chair for the last two years.

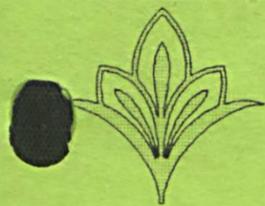


Athletic Club

Please mark your calendars for our Athletic Club. This is our monthly get together (except December and January) on the last Sunday of each month starting at 6:30 p.m. Please bring your favorite drink and an hors d'oeuvre to share. This is a great way to connect with neighbors and meet new friends. Everyone is welcome!

Schedule::

Aug 31	Kimberly & Larry Sams	404 East Lane St.
Sept 28	Jean & Doug Earp	720 North Bloodworth St.
Oct 26	Camille & Jim Barnett	409 Polk St.
Nov 30	Ruth & Glen Sappie	117 North Bloodworth St.



Oakwood and Blount Residents Sweep CAP Anthemion Awards Hagan, Brideson, and Buford



Capital Area Preservation (CAP) annually chooses, among numerous nominations from throughout Wake County, five winners of the annual Anthemion Award (named for the flora which decorate the dome of the Capitol). Three of these five winners, announced at CAP's annual meeting on June 12, are Oakwood or Blount Street Historic District residents.

CAP, which began in 1972 as Mordecai Square Historical Society, has become Wake County's primary non-profit, private-sector advocate and investor (through a revolving fund) "to promote the preservation of historic buildings and cultural landscapes ... as an essential element of Wake County's future growth," and "to inspire all to appreciate and protect their heritage."

The winners are Alex and Kim Hagan for their restoration of 416 Elm St, Bill and Patti Brideson for their restoration of 612 North Blount Street, and Betsy Farior Buford for sustained contributions to historic preservation over many years. The Hagans and Bridesons were nominated by the Raleigh Historic Districts Commission and Ms. Buford by Betty Ray McCain, the secretary of the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources.

The House of Alex and Kim Hagan was one of a cluster of houses known collectively as "Pullentown," developed by Richard Stanhope Pullen circa 1880. They were constructed of soft, under-fired common brick, protected from the weather by surface stucco scored to simulate the appearance of brick. Most of the original stucco surface of the Hagan's house was gone and the exposed brick was deteriorating from the absorption of water and accelerated spalling (flaking) during winter freeze/thaw cycles. After receiving advice from the Raleigh Historic Districts Commission and the State Historic Preservation Office, the Hagans retained Brian Ewing, a 1995 Anthemion Award winner for preservation craftsmanship, who restored the original construction of a scored stucco surface.

Bill and Patti Brideson purchased the circa 1902 Miller-Barbee-Winborne House, designed by architect Charles Barrett, at 612 North

Blount Street, across the street from Peace College. Using original materials they have repaired roofing, siding, and masonry, and restored the original paint colors (including yellow). On the interior they themselves have demolished apartment walls and repaired plastering, windows, and lighting. In addition to the restoration of this large house they have impacted the long-term preservation of North Blount Street through the purchase of the Leonidas Polk House, a Raleigh Historic Landmark and National Register building constructed circa 1891. This house was moved to the rear of the Miller-Barbee-Winborne House property from Person Street more than 25 years ago to preserve it. Furthermore they cooperated with the Leonidas Lafayette Polk Foundation on a land lease purchase of the Leonidas Polk House. The foundation plans to move this house to a prominent position on North Blount Street and restore it as a museum honoring Leonidas Polk, Civil War officer and first Commissioner of Agriculture of North Carolina. Through their endeavor they have contributed to reverse neighborhood decline.

Elizabeth (Betsy) Farior Buford won an Anthemion Award for a lifetime of accomplishments in historic preservation. Betsy lives in Oakwood at 321 East Lane Street in the Horton-Walters House, built circa 1895, with its remarkable ornate porch in the Eastlake Gothic style. In 1975 Betsy began work in the Historical Publications Section, Division of Archives and History, North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources. She later served as administrator of the Stagville Center and assistant to the director/secretary treasurer of the Federation of North Carolina Historical Societies. Since 1993 she has been deputy secretary of the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources. At the Anthemion Award ceremony on June 12, a long list was recited of Betsy's record of leadership in voluntary organizations and her many awards for accomplishments in promoting the arts, music, dance, women's studies, community services, history, museums, and preservation.

Dan Figgins



The genesis of the Raleigh Historic Districts Commission



- 1961: Creation of Raleigh Historic Districts Commission, the first sites commission in North Carolina.
- 1973: Creation of the successor, Raleigh Historic Properties and Districts Commission (RHP&DC)
- 1973: RHP&DC asked city council to re-evaluate proposed North-South Expressway through Oakwood.
- 1975: Creation of Raleigh's first historic district, Oakwood, followed by Blount Street and Capitol Square in 1976.
- 1975: Raleigh Historic Districts Commission acts as a separate committee of RHP&DC
- 1991: All duties of former RHP&DC assigned to Raleigh Historic Districts Commission.

26th Annual Oakwood Candlelight Tour December 13 & 14



This year's Oakwood Candlelight Tour will be held Saturday and Sunday, December 13 and 14, from 1 to 7 p.m.

Eight houses are on this year's tour as well as the Tucker House, The Oakwood Inn, and the William Thomas House. See the list below.

Here are some of the ways in which you can participate (if you're not already participating):

- Don Grose is coordinating "Porch Hosts"
- Peggie Feddersen is coordinating music
- Doug Earp is in charge of cleanup
- Ann Miller and Jackie Lurwick are decorating Oakwood Signs.
- Kim Jackson is coordinating the "Youth Guides".
- Jean Earp is in charge of the "After-Tour Party".
- Oakley Herring is in charge of Ticket Sales.
- Bret Liverman is treasurer for the tour.

Oakwood Garden Club members are providing refreshments at the Tucker House.

As always, there is a lot of cleanup, planting, and decorating that we can all do to make Oakwood look particularly beautiful for this 26th anniversary tour. Please volunteer your time and effort and help to make this tour truly memorable and, above all, fun for everyone involved.

Pete Andrews, Tour Chair
832-0297 (Home)
254-6370 (Office)

1997 Candlelight Tour Homes



Brian and Bonnie Buss
506 N. Person St.

Tim and Susan Fennell
327 E. Jones St.

Bob and June Hastings
215 N. East St.

Donald Mathews & Betsy Buford
321 E. Lane St.

Doug and Janet Wellman
405 Polk St

Work in Progress:
Don and Kay Hobart
414 N. East St.

New Construction:
Greg Hallam & Madonna
Phillips
601 Leonidas Ct.

Barbara Zimmerman
533 Watauga St.

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Fall Pig Pickin

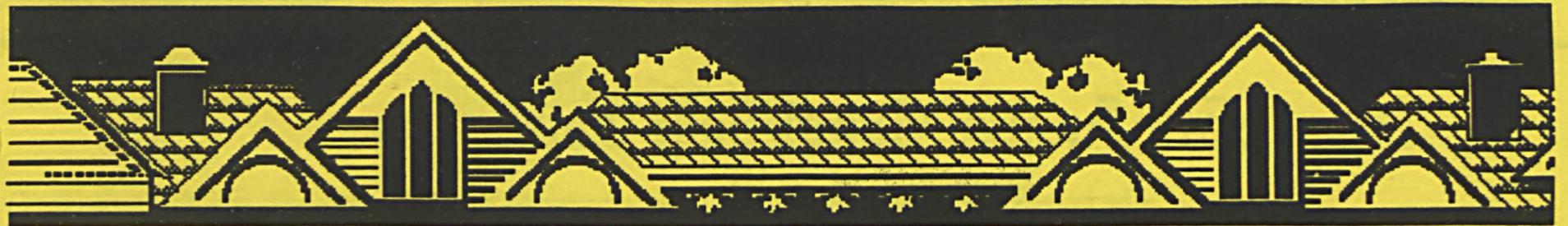


Mark your calendar now for November 1. Don't miss our annual Oakwood Pig Pickin. You will find details in the October newsletter.

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Notice of Annual Meeting

Thursday, November 13 1997
7:30 p.m.

The annual general meeting of the Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood will be held at the Tucker House on N. Person St at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday November 13. We will elect a board of directors for 1998. All Oakwood residents are encouraged to attend. Residents over 18 years of age are eligible to vote. Please come and participate in democracy at the most local level.

Ten board positions are to be filled at this meeting. The nominating committee submits the following selections for the new 1998 officers and directors. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

Officers:		Directors:	
Vice-President	Diane Deresienski	Two-year Term	One-year Term
Secretary	Ruth Sappie	Kim Jackson	Duane Lawrence
Treasurer	Rusty Lurwick	Crystal Farrow	Dawn Leonard
Historian	Dan Figgins	Ellen Wiebel	
		Don Grose	

The 1997 vice president, Tom Gongaware becomes the 1998 president and the 1997 president, Jean Earp, becomes immediate past president. Dan Schwab and Ian Shields will serve the second year of their two year terms. A candlelight tour chair will be appointed by the new board and the garden club will also appoint a representative to the board.

Ian Shields
1997 Nominating Committee.

President's Corner

Maybe one day soon cooler days will be here and it will feel like fall. In the meantime we have a full schedule for the rest of the year: pumpkin decorating for the children; pig pickin' for large and small "kids"; the election of new officers for the coming year; and last but certainly not least the Preview Party and Candlelight Tour.

We can always use new ideas and an extra pair of hands on any of these events. Volunteering for various projects is a great way to meet neighbors. Please feel free to call me or any board member if you wish to share your interests. We would love to have you join us.



Happy Fall
Jean

25th Annual Candlelight Tour December 14 & 15



This year's Oakwood Candlelight Tour will be held Saturday and Sunday, December 13 and 14, from 1 to 7 p.m. Eight houses are on this year's tour (eleven, counting the Tucker House, The Oakwood Inn, and the William Thomas House.) If you wish to participate you may call one of the tour chairs listed below.

Don Grose	Porch Hosts	833-5468.	Jean Earp	After-tour Party	832-6420(home)
Oakley Herring	Ticket Sales	821-7775			836-8842 (work)
Peggie Feddersen	Music	828-3705	Doug Earp	Cleanup	832-6420.
Bret Liverman	Treasurer		Kim Jackson	Youth Guides	836-9321

Oakwood Garden Club members are providing refreshments at the Tucker House.

Don Grose would like volunteers to act as porch hosts for the houses on the tour. Shifts are 1 - 4 p.m. or 4 - 7 p.m. Please call now to reserve your slot.

Doug Earp needs volunteers to help clean up Oakwood for the visitors we will have during the tour. There are two ways that you can help in this effort: volunteer to clean up your block or street the week before the tour, or help collect trash in Oakwood the morning of the tour.

Jean Earp is looking for people to donate food or to help host the After-Tour Party. The party will be held on Sunday, December 14, at 7 p.m. immediately following the close of the tour at the Tucker House. This party is a lot of fun and a big celebration of all the hard work spent on the Candlelight Tour. Note, however, that due to space limitations at the Tucker House, attendance is limited to Oakwood residents who work on the tour.

As always there is a lot of cleanup, planting, and decorating that we all can do to make Oakwood look particularly beautiful for this 26th anniversary tour. One of the many benefits of volunteering is that you are entitled to take the tour free of charge. Please volunteer your time and effort to help make this tour truly memorable and, above all, fun for everyone involved.

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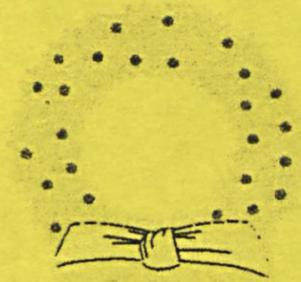
Donald Mathews & Betsy Buford
321 E. Lane St.

1997 Preview Tour

On Thursday night, December 11, the Society for the Preservation Historic Oakwood will sponsor the annual Christmas Preview Tour. This semiformal event features homes not on the weekend Candlelight Tour. The following residents have graciously consented to open their homes for this event:

Linda Davis and Ken Eudy
 Bruce, Kathy, Jenks and Kat Miller
 Pete Harris
 Ann and Dan Raynor

317 Oakwood Ave.
 406 East Lane St.
 507 North East St.
 601 North Bloodworth St.



Funds generated from this event will be used for neighborhood projects and activities. Side Street restaurant will cater the event. There will be a different menu at each home featuring: Poached Salmon; Pork Tenderloin; and desserts to die for! It takes many neighbors serving as guides, hosts, hostesses, piano players, sponsors and gofers to make the tour a success. A special thank you to the homeowners and to those who will be working for the time and effort contributed to this project. If you would like to get involved or get ticket information, call Jackie at 834-6217. Tickets will be available November 3 through December 1 or until we sell out. There is only space for 150 guests. Get your tickets early!

Jackie Twisdale - Tour Chair



Community Watch Program

Thanks to all our Oakwood Neighbors who have already answered "yes" when recently contacted about being block captains in a community watch program. Block captains will be responsible for calling a few neighbors on those rare occasions when important safety or security information should be passed along. A list of unfilled positions will be published in the next newsletter. Please don't hesitate to volunteer early in this effort. For more information or if you wish to volunteer call Jean Earp at 832-6420 or Crystal Farrow at 821-0427.



Four-Legged Animal Owners

Please be responsible for keeping pets on a leash and remember to pick up after them. Others should not have to clear up after our dogs. Leashing them is for their protection too!

Jean

Ultimate Fireplace Experience

Oakwood residents wish to sell a gas coal fireplace which would be especially nice for Oakwood coal-burning fireplaces. It is made by Grate Fires, manufacturers of authentic English gas-coal fires. The model is the Picador: it has a bowed front and is accented with brass; is 18 inches wide and has a high and low setting of 25,000 and 15,500 BTU output respectively. For more details call Dave or Helen at 821-7276.

Fourth Annual Confederate Ghost Walk



The fourth annual Confederate Ghost Walk at Oakwood Cemetery will take place Friday, October 24 from 7 to 10 p.m. and Saturday October 25 from 6 to 9 p.m. The Confederate Ghost Walk is an historical interpretation of the lives and deaths of those buried in the Confederate section of Oakwood Cemetery. This year's walk will feature:

- Captain Samuel A. Ashe, last living Confederate officer
- The 6th North Carolina preparing for Chancellorsville
- A Confederate Artillery camp scene
- A battleground burial service
- One hour tours along a candlelit walk

Period refreshments will be served during the evening. Tickets may be purchased at the cemetery at a cost of \$6 for adults, \$3 for children under 12 years of age. Group tickets may be purchased for 20 or more persons at a rate of \$4 per ticket. A \$1 off coupon is included at left. All proceeds go to the Oakwood Cemetery restoration project. This event is sponsored by the Zebulon Vance Society.

\$1 Off

A regular admission ticket to the 1997 Confederate Ghost Walk at Oakwood Cemetery.

October 24, 1997	7 -10 p.m.
October 25, 1997	6 -9 p.m.

Limit two adults per coupon.

Pig Pickin'

The annual pig pickin' is scheduled for November 1, from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Oakwood Cemetery. Soft drinks, beer and barbecue pork will be provided. Ian Shields and Billy Brewer have again, graciously, volunteered their culinary expertise to cook the pig. Please bring a covered dish to share and a \$2 donation if you intend to sample this porcine gastronomic wonder! Ian and Billy will start cooking the pig early Saturday morning either outside Billy's office at 619 North Person St. or in Ian's driveway at 318 Polk St. Feel free to stop by and say hello. Perhaps with a bit of luck you might be there to savor the first ribs to be cooked!



But wait! Hey, not so fast.... Don't put away those Halloween costumes yet! There will be prizes for the best costumes in both adult and child categories. The children's committee will also sponsor some ghoulish games for the kids. Don't miss it.



ADULT HALLOWEEN PARTY

When: Sunday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m.
 Where: 409 Polk St.
 Home of Jim and Camille Barnett

Wear your Halloween costume. There will be prizes. Please bring your favorite drink and an hors d'oeuvre to share. Everyone is welcome. Let's have fun!

(Shh! It's the Athletic Club in Disguise)



Children's Halloween Party

Ghouls, Ghosts and Goblins are invited to the Oakwood Children's Halloween Party on Saturday, October 25. Come to the house of Carter Hubbard at 516 Jones St. from 2-4 p.m. We will have pumpkin carving and painting, a costume contest, games and Halloween refreshments. Put on your best costume and bring a pumpkin to decorate! Call Kim Jackson (836-9321) or Carter Hubbard (546-0931) for more information.

T-shirts

Historic Oakwood T-shirts are in just on time for the neighborhood Pig Pickin' and Christmas. Prices are

- Adults \$12
- Juvenile \$10

You can get yours at Traditional Trends, the Pig Pickin' or during the Candlelight Tour.



Athletic Club Schedule

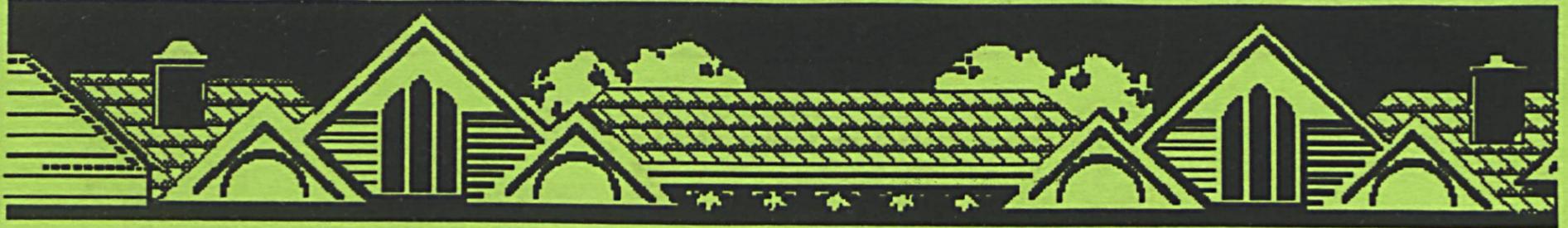
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(Halloween party)
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Garden of the Month

Congratulations to Sherilyn and Michael Talbot of 313 Polk St. on winning "Garden of the Month" for the month of September. What a beautiful garden!



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December 1997

From the President

As we approach my most favorite time of year and before the real rush begins I'd like to wish you all a safe and happy holiday. I would also like to thank all of you who have helped me along the way this year. You as board members and officers have been great. I appreciate your dedication of time, particularly in attending the monthly meetings. Committee chairs and members have been vigilant in handling their projects and seeing them through. Pat McQuaid has spent another year producing the newsletter and has been patient with me when I haven't met deadlines. We are all members of this society and it takes so many hands to accomplish the tasks that we take on.

Our Preview Party and Candlelight-Tour weekend is upon us, and I hope your involvements in these activities will be rewarding and enjoyable. There is no other place like Oakwood, especially during the holidays. I hope your experiences this year will become some of your most favorite memories.

Best Wishes to you all
Jean

1998 Board of Directors

The annual general meeting of the Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood was held at the Tucker House on North Person St at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, November 13. The following were elected to the board of directors for 1998.

Officers:

Vice-President	Diane Deresienski
Secretary	Ruth Sappie
Treasurer	Rusty Lurwick
Historian	Dan Figgins

Directors:

Two-year term
Peggy Beasley-Rogers
Crystal Farrow
Ellen Wiebel
Don Grose

One-year term
Duane Lawrence
Dawn Leonard



The 1997 vice president, Tom Gongaware becomes the 1998 president and the 1997 president, Jean Earp, becomes immediate past-president. Dan Schwab and Ian Shields will serve the second year of their two-year terms. A Candlelight-Tour chair will be appointed by the new board and the Garden Club will also appoint a representative to the board.

Ian Shields

26th Annual Candlelight Tour December 13 & 14



This year's Oakwood Candlelight Tour will be held Saturday and Sunday, December 13 and 14, from 1 to 7 p.m. Eight houses are on this year's tour (eleven, counting the Tucker House, The Oakwood Inn, and the William Thomas House). See the list of houses following. If you wish to participate you may call one of the tour chairs listed below.

Don Grose	Porch Hosts	833-5468.	Jean Earp	After-Tour Party	832-6420(home)
Oakley Herring	Ticket Sales	821-7775			836-8842 (work)
Peggie Feddersen	Music	828-3705	Doug Earp	Cleanup	832-6420.
Bret Liverman	Treasurer		Kim Jackson	Youth Guides	836-9321

As always there is a lot of cleanup, planting, and decorating that we all can do to make Oakwood look particularly beautiful for this 26th anniversary tour. One of the many benefits of volunteering is that you are entitled to take the tour free of charge. Please volunteer your time and effort to help make this tour truly memorable and, above all, fun for everyone involved.

Pete Andrews, Tour Chair
832-0297 (Home)



1997 Candlelight Tour Homes

Brian and Bonnie Buss
506 N. Person St.

Doug and Janet Wellman
405 Polk St.

Barbara Zimmerman
533 Watauga St.

Tim and Susan Fennell
327 E. Jones St.

Work in Progress:
Don and Kay Hobart
414 N. East St.

Bed & Breakfast Inns:
The Oakwood Inn
The William Thomas House

Bob and June Hastings
215 N. East St.

New Construction:
Greg Hallam & Madonna Phillips
601 Leonidas Ct.

Other Facility:
The Tucker House
City of Raleigh
Parks & Recreation

Donald Mathews & Betsy Buford
321 E. Lane St.



Candlelight Tour Homeowners and Oakwood Volunteers

You are cordially invited to the After-Tour Party to be held at the Tucker House on Sunday December 14 at 7:30 p.m. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and festive beverages will be enjoyed by all while we celebrate the success of our 26th Annual Candlelight Tour. Please remember that there are fire code restrictions on the number of people allowed in the house. You may, therefore, be asked to wait briefly.

Jean Earp



Volunteers Needed for Candlelight Tour

Street Cleanup

It's that time of year again. The Candlelight Tour is just around the corner. We need volunteers to help clean up Oakwood for the visitors we'll have during the tour. There are two ways that you can help: volunteer to clean up your block or street the week before the tour or help collect trash in Oakwood the morning of the tour. It is very important that we show our guests what a beautiful neighborhood we have. Call Doug Earp at 832-5642 to sign up for either option. Your help is needed

As you are decorating for the holidays, remember to clear the leaves and trim any branches blocking the sidewalks

After-Tour Party

Jean Earp still needs volunteers for the After-Tour Party. Please call Jean at 832-6420 (home) or 832-8842 (work) if you'd like to help.



Tucker House Hosts

Oakwood Garden Club members are providing refreshments at the Tucker House. Hosts are still needed to serve these refreshments from 1-4 p.m. or 4-7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. In addition the Garden Club would like help baking cookies from commercial dough the week before the tour. Please call Naudain Machen at 834-6656 if you can help with either of these activities.



Porch Hosts

Volunteers are requested to act as porch hosts for the houses on the Candlelight Tour. Shifts are 1-4 p.m. or 4-7 p.m. To sign up as a porch host please call Don Grose at 833-5468 as soon as possible.

Security Reminder

For added security please turn your front porch lights on at night. It helps with visibility and deters vandalism.



Cookbooks for Sale

The Oakwood Garden Club has cookbooks for sale that would make great Christmas gifts. The recipes were submitted by Oakwood residents. They cost just \$10 each and are available at Traditional Trends, 610 North Person Street or from any garden club member.



Christmas Decorating Contest

The Garden Club will once again sponsor its annual Christmas Decorating Contest. Judging will be done on December 16. Please use fresh greenery and let your creativity flow!



The Dogwood Trail

Vallie Henderson, the founder of the Oakwood Garden Club, has always had a dream of a dogwood tree in every Oakwood yard to form a Dogwood trail. The Garden Club would like to make Vallie's dream a reality. We have plotted the properties that have a dogwood and have found that there are still some that do not. The Garden Club along with the support of Taylor's nursery would like to provide a dogwood to each of these properties. These dogwoods are white flowering trees in three gallon pots that stand 30 inches high. Homeowners who already have a dogwood tree may have another one, if quantities permit. To reserve a tree call Naudain Machen at 834-6656 or Carolyn Andrews at 832-0297 by December 8.



Historic Preservation State Tax Credit

Starting in 1998 any **owner-occupied** house that is a contributing building in a National Register Historic District, the majority of houses in Oakwood, is now eligible for 30% state tax credit for qualifying rehabilitations. The rehabilitations must be at least \$25,000 and must not be started before the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office certifies the work to be done. Costs of work done on additions do not qualify. The work must be completed within two years and the credit must start to be taken the year of completion (20% of the credit each year for five years total). As far as I know North Carolina is the only state that has such a credit to encourage historic rehabilitation.

There is also a tax credit for income-producing structures. It's part federal and part state and adds up to 40%. The buildings that qualify are the same as for the owner-occupied credit, but the process of obtaining the credit is somewhat different and the amounts that

must be spent are also different. For this credit, also, paperwork must be complete and proposal approved before construction.

I mention these credits because it may help you with repairs you want to make on your houses. It may make it possible to do more extensive renovation, or it may make taking on a big-project building financially feasible. The City of Raleigh has a house at 102 North East Street, the corner of North East and Edenton, that they would like to sell for around \$50,000 to someone who would renovate it for single family use. I think that either the owner-occupied or income-producing credit would apply to this building.

If you want the definitive information on both the credits, contact Tim Simmons at the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office (phone: 733-6547). If you want information on the house at 102 North East Street, contact Janet Silber at the Raleigh Development Department (phone: 890-3170)

Janet Wellman



Welcome

Welcome the new business, Coffee Corner and Desserts, to Historic Oakwood. It is situated at 222 North Bloodworth Street, across from Side Street Restaurant. Owner Bobby McLamb and Manager Eric Komorowski invite you for coffee and a big variety of desserts. Enjoy live music too.

Hours: Sunday - Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Friday & Saturday 7:30 a.m. to midnight
Telephone: 832-9111

Thank You

For the third year in a row Al Newsome, of The City Gardener in Ridgewood Shopping Center on Wade Ave., has donated a beautiful Christmas tree to the neighborhood. It will be on display at the Oakwood Common, beginning December 7.



1997 Officers and Board Members

President	Jean Earp	832-6420	Ellen Wiebel	833-5905
Vice-President	Tom Gongaware	839-2310	Diane Deresienski	828-7520
Secretary	Ruth Sappie	821-3711	Dan Schwab	821-9910
Treasurer	Rusty Lurwick	834-6217	Ian Shields	829-1468
Historian	Dan Figgins	832-3207	Crystal Farrow	821-0427
Past President	David Philbrook	821-7276	Kim Jackson	836-9321
Garden Club	Sherilyn Talbot	832-6365		
Tour Chair	Peter Andrews	832-0297		

T-shirts

Historic Oakwood T-shirts are now on sale. You can get yours at Traditional Trends or at the Tucker House during the Candlelight Tour. They are priced as follows:

Adults	\$12
Youth	\$10