

Happy
Easter

South Historic District Neighborhood Association Newsletter

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Next Meeting

April 16, 2001

Where: Our new meeting facility
Kirby Street Laundry
Time: 7pm
Please bring a chair

Updates from 3/19/01 Meeting

1. Treasures Report: Current Balance \$2,579
2. Crime Committee Report: Break in on Dodge St. Everyone is reminded to please call the police if you see someone strange in the neighborhood.
3. Membership Committee: No new report. Everyone is encouraged to participate. Don't let the few speak for the whole area. Get your neighbors to participate.
4. Tour of Homes: Mr. Chastain reported that he now has at least 4 homes with a possibility of a couple more. He asked for help with the tours and also monies for advertising. The money for the advertising was approved. This is one of the Association biggest fundraiser.
5. Social Committee: **Easter Event will be Friday 4/13/01 at 4:30pm** at our new home The Kirby Street Laundry.
6. Code Enforcement Committee: The boarded up house on Laurel St. was discussed. There are currently several efforts going on to locate the owner and do something about property.
7. Traffic Committee: Speed trailer has been used on River St. Was effective but not out during morning and evening hours. Will be followed up on to see if hours can be extended. River St. is County controlled. The county will need to approve speed bumps. May come up at next County Commission Mtg.
8. Mr. Campbell reported that the loan is completed on the Laundromat. Pictures and some history have been found. Further research will be done to help name it and restore the structure.
9. There is a State Wide Historic Conference in May. All present voted to send Mr. Campbell to it.
10. Welcome Committee is sending out baskets to 3 new families in the area.
11. Mr. Campbell talked about the Certified Local Government Program. There will be a representative coming to make a presentation. Will give access to funds and grants not currently available to us. Mtg. 3/29/01 at 7pm Ravine State Gardens. (There was a large turn out for this meeting. A lot of information was passed out and talked about. Will be a topic for our next Association Mtg.)
12. Mr. Campbell let everyone know it is being worked on to get the Association a 501-3C designation which is a not for profit tax designation that will help with grants.
13. Guest Speaker: Joff Filion – Code Enforcement Spoke about:
 - Project Nice: major city project that has just started. The City Council is emphasizing cleaning up the city
 - He stated there is no selective enforcement of codes.
 - Reviewed purpose of codes: safety, property values, and to protect people.
 - Reviewed what to do if you see a violation: Call Code Enforcement. Sunshine law makes anything written public record; that is why complaints are taken anonymously.
 - Green Book – Codebook for the historical areas. Historical Board – 8 people are required. They have had difficulty recently meeting a quorum. Their purpose is to review and approve certificates of appropriateness for changes or repairs to historical structures.
 - Proper maintenance of structures – Code Enforcement Board is the only legal board in the City. They can take legal proceedings against a homeowner for citations against their property.
 - Reviewed where you can park: driveway, front of house (not on street), back of house. Cars without tags cannot be on the street.
 - Also handed out information on low interest loans that are available. Additional copies will be available at next meeting.

Additional Notes

We wish a speedy recovery to Mr. Estes and Mr. Wilson

Antique Fair will be on Nov. 17, 2001.

Appearance Award: The Hendershotts – 628 Emmett April
The Clark's - 117 Dodge March

Congratulations 