

BOYLAN HEIGHTS NEWSLETTER

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ASSOCIATION UPDATE

Neighbors,

Ah, the cool crisp days of Autumn when the temperature drops to...80 degrees? What crazy weather. At least the election is over. Congratulations to Jane Harrison who won the District D seat for City Council. As you recall, she attended one of our Association Meetings to tell us of her plans for the city. We will have her back next year to discuss how she has done addressing the issues important to Boylan Heights.

Speaking of issues important to the neighborhood, I saw on Facebook that traffic is a hot issue. If it is important to you, come to Tuesday's meeting via video call link: <https://meet.google.com/umm-igzr-ckz>. Our Community Resource Office, Blake DiCello, will be attending. The police are not responsible for traffic control items such as stop-lights or speed bumps. But they are responsible for enforcing existing laws. So, if enforcement is important to you, now is the time to let your voice be heard.

In addition to Officer DiCello, we have several other neighborhood issues on the agenda.

Don Davis — BHNA President

HISTORY HEIGHTS

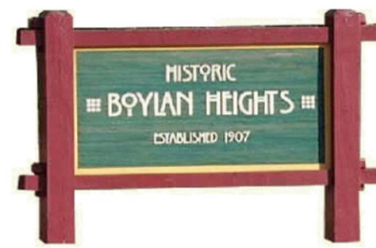
Did you know that Boylan Heights was planned to be a little larger than its current boundaries? W Lenoir St currently ends at McCulloch St. But originally it was planned to extend to Mountford Ave which was a block longer than its current length. What happened? The railroad along the Western edge of the neighborhood didn't exist when Boylan Heights was designed. The Railroad was approved shortly after the design and the company bought up the lots in the Lenoir Mountford area and caused the reconfiguring of a number of lots along McCulloch and W Cabarrus.

SAVE THE DATE! TREE PLANTING

Plans are in the works for a tree planting event on Tuesday, November 22nd in the afternoon. We have partnered with the City for the planting of 24 new trees along Dorothea Drive to enhance the buffer between our neighborhood and Western Blvd. The City is kindly providing 7-gallon trees (a mixture of hollies, magnolias, and cedars) as well as a planting demo, mulch and other necessary supplies. Boylan Heights is responsible for providing the volunteers! Stay tuned for more information, including how to sign up in the coming weeks.

GOING PAPERLESS!

The Boylan Heights newsletter will be changing from a print-only format to a (mostly) digital format effective January 1, 2023. To save on expense and neighbors' volunteer time, the newsletter will be distributed via the email listserv and via the Facebook group on a monthly basis. We will still distribute printed copies to neighbors who opt in to receiving printed copies. If you want printed copies, please contact Susan Thompson at susanehthompson@gmail.com before January 1, 2023 (you can opt-in for future months by emailing Susan before the first day of that month) with your name and address. If you are having trouble joining the email listserv, you can contact president@boylanheights.org. We are excited to (mostly) join the digital age next year!



ARTWALK IS COMING!

This 30th annual Boylan Heights ArtWalk is almost here! On Sunday, December 4th once again our great neighborhood tradition will be celebrating this significant milestone. Our neighborhood will be transformed into a wonderful, outdoor holiday market. Potters, jewelers, painters, photographers, metalsmiths, woodworkers, glass makers and others with unique talents will be setting up on our porches, lawns and in studios to bring an incredible array of outstanding work to help celebrate this joyous season. We especially look forward to many of our neighborhood artists who will be sharing their creativity as well.

We are continuing to space out the artists based on the positive feedback we received last year and to provide better social distancing. For the most part we are again only placing one artist on each porch as well as making sure to keep lawn placements well-spaced. Thanks to the generosity of Jim and Leslie Kellenberger, we will continue to offer food options with a menu of delicious offerings.

As always, thanks to our gracious hosts who do so much to make visiting artists feel welcome and additional thanks to the entire neighborhood which helps set a jolly, holiday spirit throughout Boylan Heights.

As a reminder, ArtWalk is a juried show, which means that artists apply and then are reviewed by a review panel (the jury) made up of artists and neighbors to insure that ArtWalk maintains a high standard of outstanding artists. After this review process artists are invited to participate. Please do not invite artists that have not gone through the review process (or who have and may not have been selected for this year) to set up in the neighborhood. Having a professional process keeps ArtWalk's reputation high in the arts community.

In advance of ArtWalk I ask that neighbors please try to park in your driveways or alleys prior to December 4th to provide as much parking as possible for our visitors. Regarding leaf pick up, please try to keep leaves out of parking spaces on the street and keep space as tidy as possible. Any other extra sprucing up/holiday decorating helps contribute to the holiday spirit. As you see visitors, be sure to greet them and offer any directions or assistance. Boylan Heights is known for its hospitality so let's keep up the tradition!

Let me also thank the hard work of the ArtWalk committee that has helped in many ways, even as we haven't been able to meet in person. In addition to the committee, we need volunteers to help at ArtWalk. If you are interested in volunteering, please let me know. We need folks to help staff information tents, serve as booth sitters and assist with getting signage and other information out. It's a great way to meet neighbors as well as some wonderful artists. I promise not to work you too hard and to leave you plenty of time for shopping. Also, volunteers are also needed to help the Kellenbergers staff the food stand.

Meanwhile I encourage you to visit the ArtWalk Facebook page, become a fan, and share lots of exciting information with your friends and family. It really does take a neighborhood to make this great event happen, but I also think it is a point of pride and a tribute to Boylan Heights that this event is entirely produced by volunteers. I don't think there is another event of this magnitude in Raleigh that can make that claim. So, thank you all.

If you should have any questions or concerns, I can be reached at boylanheightsartwalk@gmail.com or artie1collins@gmail.com. I am also available by phone at 919-337-3633.

Lyman Collins, ArtWalk Chair

FREE LITTLE PANTRY

Help keep our FREE LITTLE PANTRY stocked for those in need. Drop off nonperishables to the pantry located on the corner of Cabarrus and South Saunders. All donations would be greatly appreciated.



BIKE BROKEN?

You know you want to get on that old bike and tool around the neighborhood and beyond! Flat tires, gears don't shift, brakes need adjustment, wheel bent... need a tune-up? You pay for parts, labor is no cost.

Contact Dan Dunbar
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BOYLAN HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

October 18, 2022 @ 7pm via Google Meets

Welcome & Meet Your Neighbors

Approval of Agenda & Previous Month's Minutes: The meeting agenda was approved unanimously. The previous month's minutes were unanimously approved.

Police Report: Officer DiCello could not attend; Mike Motsinger gave a brief update on his behalf. Raleigh PD apprehended and charged someone with a series of larcenies in or around the neighborhood. There was also an incident in the neighborhood involving the State Highway Patrol and a motorcycle chase.

Meet the Candidates: Todd Kennedy attended the meeting and introduced himself as a native of the region and a resident Raleigh since the mid-1990's. He's had a 25-year career in public infrastructure and environmental protection and served on City boards and commissions over the years. His campaign is endorsed by former mayors McFarlane and Meeker. When asked to name his top issues, he cited housing access and affordability and investing in Raleigh's public safety. He took questions from the neighborhood about citizen engagement, housing affordability, and density.

Financial Report: John Bush presented the monthly report. Overall, the financial position has remained stable. Over the past month we have paid annual insurance policies. John noted this year has been unusual in that we have not had any neighborhood fundraisers or income activities apart from ArtWalk and therefore we have spent more money this year than we have received. Also, John formally resigned as Treasurer effective immediately.

Election of Treasurer: John Bush nominated Margaret McEndarfer. Motion approved unanimously. Congratulations, Margaret!

Committee Updates: BRT - Plans are in the works for a volunteer tree planting effort on the afternoon of November 22. The City has agreed to provide 24 evergreen trees in the buffer area between Dorothea Drive and Western Blvd with the help of neighborhood volunteers. This is part of our effort to proactively enhance this buffer in advance of BRT implementation. It also serves as a beautification project! More news will be shared including the official

volunteer sign-up and waiver required by the City. **ArtWalk 30th Anniversary** - John Bush report a robust number of applications received from artists thus far. We will need volunteers for this annual event! Please reach out to Lyman Collins boylanheightsartwalk@gmail.com.

New Business: The neighborhood newsletter is going digital! Beginning in 2023, the newsletter will be distributed electronically via the google listserv and Facebook page. Physical copies can be delivered upon request. Please reach out to Susan Thompson if you are interested: only printed and delivery upon request. If you want to receive a physical copy email susanehthompson@gmail.com.

Rocky Branch Clean-up - This volunteer event is scheduled for November 12 from 9-12pm; Pre-registration is required and is available on the Boylan Heights website. **Bloomsbury Estates** - the HOA has reached out to Boylan Heights about partnering with them on their participation and engagement related to development and traffic along Boylan Ave. Secondly, they have created a non-profit to aid in the beautification of Boylan Bridge. If you are interested in learning more, Don Davis can help connect you. Email Don at president@boylanheights.org.

Boylan Heights Neighborhood Association Meeting
Tuesday, November 15 7:00 – 8:00pm
Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/umm-igzr-ckz>

Agenda

- I. Welcome and Meet Your Neighbors
- II. Approval of Agenda and Minutes
- III. Police Report - Neighborhood traffic issues and managing traffic for holiday programs at Dix and Pullen
- IV. Financial Report
- V. Committee Updates -
 - a. ArtWalk: Lyman Collins
 - b. Dorothea Drive plantings
- VII. Old Business: Development beat - W. Cabarrus and S. Boylan and Hargett
- VIII. New Business