



# NEWSLETTER

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## College Park Neighborhood Association Update

By David Rose, President

Something is always happening at the College Park Neighborhood Association. For an all volunteer organization we maintain an active agenda. Last month I outlined the plan for the year so won't try to repeat that here. What I will keep repeating is the invitation to everyone that lives, works, plays, or simply loves College Park to come out and join us on the First Monday of each month. We meet at the College Park Community Center starting at 7:00 pm.

### Sunday in the Park

The next big item on our agenda is the Sunday in The Park which will be held in Dartmouth Park in the afternoon of March 16<sup>th</sup>.

Sunday in the Park is a signature event for the College Park Neighborhood Association and a defining event for College Park. Every spring friends and neighbors meet at the annual Sunday in the Park in Dartmouth Park. Sunday in the Park is a true College Park community event, produced by the College Park Neighborhood Association in conjunction with the Downtown College Park Partnership. The event features something for everyone:

- Entertainment by local performing group
- A variety of food vendors
- Activities including: bounce houses, dunk tank and an obstacle course
- A silent auction
- Vendors selling a variety of goods, from home décor, to jewelry, to children's items
- The "Best Brownies in College Park" contest
- And much, much more

Admission to Sunday in the Park is free. Children can play games all day for just \$10 and kids under 4 can play games for free.

### Edgewater Drive Vision Task Force

We continue to monitor the activities of the Edgewater Drive Vision Task Force, but for the past few months all that activity has been taking place on the fourth floor of 400 S Orange Ave. So we really have no idea what they are up to. The next Edgewater Drive Task Force public

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

### February CPNA meeting

Monday, February 8, 7:00 pm

All Are Welcome!

College Park Community Center

### Sunday in the Park

Sunday, March 16, 12:00 – 5:00 pm

Dartmouth Park

### Relay for Life

Friday, April 11, 6:00 pm – April 12, noon

18 hour overnight event

St. Charles Borromeo track and field

Edgewater Drive

### Taste of College Park

April 24, 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Dubsdread Clubhouse

meeting is scheduled for next month so count on an after that meeting.

### Crime Update

Crime continues to be a topic of concern. We are monitoring the situation on our western border and are looking at setting up a committee to continue our efforts in that area. It may also be a good idea to review what is happening in the South College Park area as well.

On the same subject we are thrilled that Bertie Hunt has joined the Board this year. Bertie provides information on criminal activity on a daily basis through a free Internet service she has established: Neighborhood Internet Crime Spotters or N.I.C.S. To subscribe, just email Bertie at [collegeparkknics@yahoo.com](mailto:collegeparkknics@yahoo.com) and you will get a regular update. College Park has a low rate of crime thanks to the diligence of you, our residents. These efforts simply are in support of your efforts.

If you have an event or item of community interest that you think should be included in the CPNA newsletter please send to [newsletter@collegeparkorlando.org](mailto:newsletter@collegeparkorlando.org)



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## Sunday in the Park

By Bruce Thomas, Sunday in the Park Chair

College Park Neighborhood Association is again sponsoring the annual Sunday in the Park for everyone in the community. This popular event will bring neighbors together from 12:00 to 5:00 pm on March 16<sup>th</sup> for a fun day at Dartmouth Park.

### Join the Exhibitors

Sixty exhibitors will line the park to promote their services and products. Many will be selling or sampling foods so come hungry. Several local schools and churches will also be represented. Please contact Nancy Glasgow (nancy@bitner.com) if you would like space for your business or organization.

### Enjoy Activities and Entertainment

Entertainment will be provided throughout the day by musicians and dancers from the neighborhood. The performances that highlight our local kids have traditionally been crowd favorites.

When the kids are not performing, they can expect a variety of activities. For \$10, children can purchase a wristband for unlimited rides on several inflatable attractions and at a number of arcade games. Kids under 4 can play games for free.

### Stop by CPNA

Everyone is also encouraged to stop by the College Park Neighborhood Association table located in the main gazebo in the center of the park. You will have the opportunity to meet members of the association and join one of the most active volunteer neighborhood associations in Orlando. College Park's own Pat Duggins will also be signing copies of his new book "Final Countdown: NASA and the End of the Space Shuttle Program".

### Contribute to the fun!

If you would like to support College Park Neighborhood Association in this endeavor, please attend. If you would like to do even more, please volunteer. You can contact Bruce Thomas (brucethomas@cfl.rr.com) to volunteer or to request additional information.

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## Books needed for Annual Book Drive

The Rotary Club of College Park is in the beginning stages of its annual book drive. Children in preschool and elementary grades are the recipients of the books. Please don't throw away any children's books. Donate them and help a youngster discover the joys of reading. For more information, please contact Pam Potenza, Sutton and Sutton Realty Inc. at 407-375-3963.

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## One Day, One Night, One Community, One Fight

Relay For Life is the nationwide signature event for the American Cancer Society. Relay is a community, volunteer driven, team event to fight cancer.



This year's College Park Relay for Life event begins at 6:00 pm on April 11<sup>th</sup> and ends April 12<sup>th</sup> at noon. It is an 18 hour overnight event that takes place at St. Charles Borromeo track and field Edgewater Drive.

### Form a Team

Businesses, churches, clubs, friends and families form teams of 10-15 people. Registration is \$100 per team; each team member is asked to raise donation money (\$100 minimum). Teams can also provide entertainment or games for the evening.

### Come on Down

This year's theme is Take a Holiday from Cancer. Each team will choose a holiday to represent through costumes and decoration of their camp site.

Opening ceremonies (Survivors Lap and Luminaria Ceremony) are at 6:00 pm, then a member of each team will take turns walking on the track at all times until closing ceremonies. Members off the track will enjoy music, games, food and interaction with other teams.

### Join in the Relay

College Park is our community! We must make every effort to have a successful event. Please join in this fun and worthwhile event – for the cancer survivors you know, and the special people who aren't here anymore- Make the commitment NOW! PLEASE!

For more information on joining or forming a team, call Pam Potenza at 407-375-3963, or go to: <http://www.events.cancer.org/rflcollegetparkfl>

To donate go to: <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/pampotenza>.

### College Park Community Center Senior Program

Come join a senior program, everyday from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, Monday - Friday. We have a book club, line dancing, arts & crafts, and day trips around Central Florida. Come meet and make new friends. The Community Center is located behind Princeton School. Call Andrea 407 246-4361 for details.



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## 2007 Historic Homes Tour a Success

By Jodi Rubin, Historical Committee Chair

Each year the College Park Neighborhood Association holds a Historic Homes Tour highlighting the preservation successes in the area. This past fall, with a theme of "Great Additions", tour goers enjoyed a beautiful day visiting 10 houses and the renovated Princeton School. We covered nearly every corner of College Park to find the best additions, and the variety of houses was amazing--from seamless additions, to modern interpretations, to travel-inspired fantasies.

### **Michael Welborn Education Grant**

Some proceeds from the tour will go to Princeton School in the form of the Michael Welborn Educational Grant. The Board will decide what to do with the remaining funds in the coming weeks.

### **Special Thanks**

Special thanks to Carolyn Thomas, Volunteer Coordinator, and Bruce and Anne Thomas for a wonderful after-party.

### **Thank You Homeowners**

Mark Schenkel, Margaret and Joe Barnes, Monarcha Marcet, Dusty Sutton, John Ruffier, Susan Lilley, Joel Gunter, Jennifer and Tom Bohn, Lynn Jones, and the Kerouac House and Princeton School.

### **Thank You Volunteers**

We wish to thank all of the volunteers wholeheartedly for your great support of the 2007 Historic Homes Tour! The success of this tour relies greatly on the dedication of our volunteers, and you have all been wonderful! We've heard great things about your assistance from the homeowners, and those of you at Headquarters were also absolutely great! We hope you had a fun time volunteering.

Mark Schenkel, Bernie Bogdon, Ed Morgan, Jim Pruett, Jodi Schenkel, Hilary Brown, Cindy Chandler, Margaret Barnes, Joe Barnes, Stephanie Flanigan, Marejane Muse, Deborah Cook, Tom Cook, Charlie Sum, Emily Nemens, Henry Johns, Monarcha Marcet, Peggy Byram, David Rose, Mabel Rose, Stan Whittington, Kaye Armstrong, Casey Cummings, Whitney Cummings, Heather Dean, Caroline Borling, Katherine Griffiths, Pam Potenza, Barbara Sutton, Brad Alley, John Ruffier, Joan Ruffier, Dan Ruffier, Leza Tellam, Ellen Lang, Karen Brown, Suzy Parke, Barbara Gionet, Suzanne Mills, Marion Chavarie, Leslie Boles, Susan Lilley, Rick Stanley, Mike Norato, Adrian La Sala, Melissa Lilley, David Lilley, Jocelyn Barkevicius, Frances Neville, Nancy Glasgow, Cleave Frink, Dena Wild, Tom Bohn, Jennifer Bohn, Lynn Jones, Charlie Bohn, Lynn Jones, Anne Rogers, Mary Poole, Mary Moores, Jeff Reupert, Bill Jennings, Maria Rubin, Tana Porter, Jerry Porter, Phyllis Dotherow, Bob Carr, Jodi Rubin, Carolyn

Thomas, Tana Porter, Jerry Porter, Alma DiGloria, Mary J. Gray and the Plein Air Artists of Central Florida, and our other community volunteers who helped make the Tour such a success.

### **Thank You Sponsors**

Sutton and Sutton, Guardian Home Lending Group, Anne Rogers Realty Group, David Rose/ReMax, Olde Town Brokers, Jim Pruett/Watson, Keller Williams Realty and Classic Renovations.

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## 2008 Historic Homes Tour

The theme for the 2008 tour has already been selected. It will be "College Park--Big and Small". How would you like to see some of the neighborhood's largest houses? Did you know some of the smallest, simplest houses have some fabulous details? Next year we will focus on the extremes of College Park.

If you are interested in having your house on the tour, or would like to volunteer, please call Jodi Rubin at 407-422-5243.

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## Taste of College Park

The Rotary Club of College Park is pleased to announce the Fifth Annual Taste of College Park Food & Wine Festival on April 24th, 2008 from 6 to 9:30 p.m. at Dubsdread Clubhouse. The Taste of College Park is the Club's signature fund-raising event which gives back all proceeds to the community. It combines food from neighborhood restaurants, wine pairings provided by ABC Fine Wine & Spirits, live musical entertainment, and silent & live auctions. Past featured vendors include ABC Fine Wine and Spirits, Jade Bistro, Julianna's Fine Tuscan Cuisine, K Restaurant & Wine Bar, Publix and The Tap Room at Dubsdread. Last year more than 250 people attended the event and this year we anticipate as many as 400 patrons will join together for an extraordinary evening in College Park!

### **How can you Help?**

The key to the fund-raising success of the Taste is the support of the College Park Business Community. We hope you will consider supporting this event in one of the following ways:

- Become a corporate sponsor of our event through either a monetary donation or gifts-in-kind
- Donate an item for our silent and/or live auction
- Attend the event! Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased on our website at [www.collegeparkrotary.org](http://www.collegeparkrotary.org).

For more information, please contact Pam Potenza, Sutton and Sutton Realty Inc. at 407-375-3963.



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Dues are \$15 a family or \$10 for Seniors (65 and over) for membership through September 2008.