

# Yates Meadow Community

March 2012

## New Yates Meadow Board

The Yates Meadow HOA Board is composed of 5 members, three of whom are at the end of their term. The neighborhood is required to hold an election if there are more new Board candidates than spots available to fill.

For the 2012 year, there were only two new individuals who applied to run for a spot on the Board to fill the three open spots. In addition, one of the existing board members whose term is expiring expressed interest in running again for another term on the Board. With only three candidates for three spots, there is therefore no need to hold a neighborhood election this year. The next election will be held next year for two Board spots.

Melissa Hooker and Carl Johnson (current board members) have decided to step down rather than run again for a position on the Board. Brenda Smith will stay on for another term to fill the fifth spot on the Board.

The Board for 2012 will consist of:

- David Church (2012/2013)
- Amber D'Amore (2012/2013)
- Sheri Freeman (2011/2012)
- Ross Goldberg (2011/2012)
- Brenda Smith (2012/2013)

This new Board takes effect as of March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. The Board will elect officers at their first meeting and make an announcement of their new roles on the Yates Meadow website and Facebook group. ☺

## Catch Up With Our Website!

Did you know we have a neighborhood website? Check out <http://YatesMeadowCommunity.com> for the latest news, meeting minutes, neighborhood documents, details on upcoming events, and much more! ☺

## Neighborhood Watch Meeting on February 27th

Meeting at Rocky River Church 6:30-8:00, Feb 27<sup>th</sup>  
887 Pitts School Road Southwest, Concord, NC 28027

Members of the neighborhood have been going door-to-door distributing flyers and sign-up sheets for the Neighborhood Watch program. If you have not been contacted about this opportunity, please contact Sheri Freeman at 704-455-8567 and/or attend the introduction meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup>.



Neighborhood Watch is one of the oldest and most effective crime prevention programs in the country, bringing citizens together with law enforcement to deter crime and make communities safer.

Essentially, Neighborhood Watch is a group of neighbors looking out for neighbors. It is getting to know each other and becoming familiar with your neighbor's habits and vehicles so that you will know when something is suspicious or out of the ordinary. In addition to recognizing potential suspicious activities, Neighborhood Watch participants report such activity by calling 911, and notifying the Neighborhood Watch Chairperson. **Participants in the Neighborhood Watch program do not confront suspects or take any personal risks at all.** The program does not make you a nosy neighbor – it makes you a good neighbor in the old-fashioned sense of the word.

The meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup> will provide an introduction to the Neighborhood Watch program and inform residents what they can do to help make the Neighborhood Watch program a success.

We hope you all will be willing to take part in the Neighborhood Watch and help keep our neighborhood a safe and secure place to live! ☺

## Streetlights Update

The Board has been working with the City of Concord and Duke Power to push through the installation of the remaining streetlights for the neighborhood.

Currently, the City of Concord and Duke Power are coordinating the work order and planned arrangement of the remaining streetlights, and the installation is expected to begin shortly. More information will be available at the Neighborhood Watch meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup>.

The Board is also consulting with Duke Power to investigate ways the existing streetlights can be modified to provide additional visibility in the neighborhood. Any information received will be shared via the website and Facebook group. 📧

## New Facebook Group

Yates Meadow is now on Facebook! Check us out at <http://www.facebook.com/groups/YatesMeadow/> or search for Yates Meadow Community. There is a lot of neighborhood networking taking place there and we'd love for you to join us! (This is also a great place to stay informed on recent and upcoming events in the neighborhood.)

Please note this group is a "Closed Group", which means it requires administrator approval to join and see any of the group content. Only neighborhood residents over 18 are allowed to join.

If you are interested, click the "Ask to Join Group" button on the group page, or send an email to [admin@yatesmeadowcommunity.com](mailto:admin@yatesmeadowcommunity.com) 📧

## Pool Ladder Repair Pending

At the end of pool season, the maintenance inspection found one of the ladders is broken and needs replacing.

The repair has been approved and is just waiting on warmer weather so that the concrete-work involved can be performed. The repair will definitely be completed and the pool back to functional condition by opening day later this year. 📧

## Committee Members Wanted

To foster additional resident participation and invite new perspectives and ideas, the Board has placed a 2-year term restriction on Neighborhood Committee Chiefs. In some cases, the current Chiefs of Committee have dedicated 4 or more years to their committees, and have earned a much-deserved break!

However, this means we definitely need new individuals to step up and support the community by volunteering to help with one of our Neighborhood Committees. No experience is required – just a willingness to help your friends and neighbors and an interest in the committee.

Spots are available on all of the following committees:

- Architectural Committee
- Landscaping Committee
- Pool Committee
- Social Committee
- Tech Committee

This is a great way to get more involved in the neighborhood and meet neighbors. You will also interact closely with the HOA Board and is great experience if you are considering running for a spot on the Board in the future.

If you are interested, please email [admin@yatesmeadowcommunity.com](mailto:admin@yatesmeadowcommunity.com) or contact Ross Goldberg at 704-975-1633 and we'll get you involved right away! 📧

## Pool Entrance Chain Coming

To restrict unauthorized entry and parking in the pool parking lot when the pool is not in service, the neighborhood will be installing decorative posts with a lockable chain across the parking lot entrance. The chain will not impact residents visiting the pool, but should provide a deterrent against trespassers at other times.

Installing the posts requires pouring concrete, which means this job must wait for warmer weather. In the meantime, Eastwood Homes has let the neighborhood use some of their "blue barriers" to block off the parking lot entrance. The posts and chain will be installed before the pool re-opens for the summer. 📧