

The Antlers' Spread – Monthly Newsletter

The Voice of the United Estates of Deer Park
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NEXT MEETING:

WHEN: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13TH, 2011

TIME: 6:30 P.M.

PLACE: DEER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY AND BRING ANY FINGER FOOD YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE! WE WILL ALSO BE INSTALLING THE 2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By: Beth Evans

HAPPY HOLIDAYS to you and your family.

I would like to **thank everyone** for all of their support and help this year. We have been able to accomplish many great things with the City and County. I am looking forward to what 2012 brings. Your Deer Park Board is working on some great things for 2012. Some of the things we would like to accomplish for 2012 are to have a Membership Drive, participate in the City Clean-up Sweep and many more things. A goal of mine is to get more involved in our community. If you have any suggestions or ideas please feel free to call me at 843.437.4140.

Our Holiday Party is on **Tuesday Dec. 13th** and I hope to see you all there. I also ask that you invite your neighbors to come and to learn about whom we are and what we do for Deer Park.

Notes from Last Month's Meeting

Updates from City Councilman – Bobby Jameson:

- Biker/Hiker Trail on 78
 - City is waiting for a contract on the project.
 - There is still money for this project.
- Drainage Ditch proposed for Deerwood.
- Storen is to be repaved by the end of November.
- City Council is going to be discussing the need for additional sidewalks in the near future.
- Fire Station 6 (Greenridge) is going to move due to a shortage of personnel.
 - This item has been tabled for now.

Elections of Board Positions were held.

Updates from the Fire Department:

- Fire Station on Deerwood will not move.
- Smoke Detector Program is still being offered by NCFD.
- Fire Hydrants in Deer Park are currently being checked.
- NCFD is going to get with the City to see if the trees can be trimmed back.
- REMINDER: when approached by an emergency vehicle on the roadways, please move to the right.

Issues brought up by the Community:

- Mail Theft – There has been an increase of mail theft from residents' mailboxes. Thieves are taking both incoming and outgoing mail. It is that time of year when loved ones send cards with money in them and this is what is being targeted. We ask that you take your mail to the post office or to a drop off box.

UPCOMING EVENTS

• Planning Commission Meeting

When: Dec. 12

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Place: N. Charleston City Hall

• DPNC Meeting

When: Dec. 13

Time: 6:30 P.M.

• Singing Christmas Tree

When: Dec. 16-19

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Place: Deer Park Baptist Church

If you have any events coming up and would like to share with the community, please call Beth Evans at 843.437.4140.

Notes from Last Month's Meeting – Continued...

Issues brought up by the Community – Continued...

- Counterfeit Money – There has been an increase in counterfeit money in the North Charleston area. Instead of the typical \$20 or higher bills, we are now seeing \$5 bills being counterfeited. If you should come across counterfeited money, please contact North Charleston Police.
- Speeding on Adeline continues to be an issue. The NCPD is aware of this and will monitor it. If you have an issue with speeders on your road, please contact Beth Evans or mention it at our monthly meetings when the NCPD is present.
- Running the Red Light at Antler & Otranto continues to be an issue. NCPD is aware of it and is monitoring the situation.

Presentation by NCPD:

- Improvements done in the past year:
 - Work schedules were changed.
 - Fridays & Saturdays are the busiest for the police.
 - NCPD now has Double Duty on those days instead of a rotating schedule.
 - Police Zones were changed
 - Deer Park is Zone 8.
 - By changing the zones, this has increased response time.
 - Police Officers use to work all of the zones. They are now assigned to a particular zone. This allows the officers more opportunity to know the area and its residents.
 - COMSTAT Meetings are held every 2 weeks.
 - These meetings identify if there has been an increase of crime in an area. If so, then that area is reported on the COMSTAT report and NCPD increases the police presence temporarily.
 - Several new units have been formed for certain tasks.
 - Window Tint
 - Tint meters were purchased for the officers.
 - If you are ticketed for a tint violation and correct the issue prior to your court date the charge will be dropped.
 - Legal Tint Percentage is 27%
 - Community Roll-Calls
 - This is an opportunity for the officers to Meet & Greet with the residents.
 - Project Free Entry
 - This is a free program offered by NCPD.
 - If you lock your keys in your car, you can call NCPD for assistance.
 - The officers use a new tool called "Big Easy" to open up your locked car.
 - There are currently 36 "Big Easy" tools available to the officers.
 - NCPD is working hard to build trust within the communities.
 - NCPD needs our help to better North Charleston.

Garbage Pick-Up Schedule

Garbage:	Every Wednesday
Leaves/Grass:	Every Wednesday
Large Trash:	Every Wednesday
Recyclables:	Every other Thursday

Please note that Thursday will be pick-up day when

City Holiday falls on Mon., Tues., or Wed.

Board of Directors

President	Beth Evans	437-4140
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Board Appointed	Janeane Smith	224-6748
Board Appointed	John Flinn	863-0659
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Key Personnel

City Council District 3	Bobby Jameson	824-1500
County Council Rep	Elliott Summey	200-4244
Neighborhood Crime Watch Rep.	John Flinn	863-0659
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