Annandale Acres



What is a Civic Association? You!

Ever wonder who keeps tabs on issues affecting the neighborhood? The Annandale Acres Civic Association (AACA) is a non-political, all-volunteer organization whose mission is to support our neighborhood and build a sense of community. Unlike a homeowners association, AACA cannot impose covenants and membership is not mandatory. All residents are encouraged to join and actively participate in the meetings, committees, and events.

At the most recent meeting in late Spring, new members were elected to the Board: Amy Whetzel (Treasurer) and Diane Ditzler (Secretary). The Board wishes to thank outgoing board members Jennifer Leonard and Betty Johnson for their outstanding community service!

Neighborhood Dues Are Now Due

It's that time of year again! Please plan to contribute \$10.00 per household toward AACA expenses. Checks should be made payable to the "Annandale Acres Civic Association", and sent to the Treasurer, Amy Whetzel in the attached envelope. Dues are also payable through Paypal from the website by clicking the "Pay Now" button at the bottom of the Civic Association page on the website (http://annandaleacres.org/civic-association/).

How is your money spent? Annual expenses include newsletter copying, website hosting and maintenance fees, annual picnic, gifts and welcome packages, and miscellaneous expenses.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Amy Whetzel at <u>aacaorgtreasurer@gmail.com</u> or via phone at (703) 350-6776.

Thank you!

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Annandale Acres Civic Association is working toward a goal of paperless communication. As part of this effort, we have implemented a new website to keep our members informed at http://www.annandaleacres.org. The website contains information pertinent to the community and had a blog that is updated regularly with meeting notices, newsletters, event notices and is able to receive dues collection.

We need your assistance in this effort. Can you please return this completed form in the attached envelope to the Treasurer, Amy Whetzel, so that we may update our database? This information will be used to email our members. We will not share your information with anyone outside of the AACA Board members. Additionally, we will not be spamming our members, only providing useful communication.

Many thanks!

Primary Owner/Tenant:	
Secondary Owner/Tenant:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
Additional Information:	

AACA General Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2013

7:00

- Call to Order by Carolyn Freeman, President
- Certification of Quorum of Dues-paying members Secretary Number of Members present?
- Board members present: Carolyn Freeman, Jon Clark, Amy Whetzel, Betty Johnson, Ernie Vanarsdall
- Board members absent: Diane Ditzler, Jennifer Leonard
- Reading and Approval of previous meeting minutes Motion to not read the minutes second and approved
- President's Report
- Treasurer's Report: Amy Whetzel Treasurer reported \$1,854. The question was raised –
 "What are the dues?". Amy noted that the dues are at \$10 and there was discussion
 about whether they should be raised. Consensus was to keep at \$10 and determine
 whether to introduce proposal to raise it to \$20 at the next meeting. Amy opened a
 Paypal account for formal and easy dues payment.
- Picnic report Richard Hoffman reported a very successful event in all respects Expenses \$395, Revenue \$280, 50 to 70 people attending. Thanks from Richard to
 Committee members including Carolyn Freeman, Walt Leppin, Jacques Romain, Hanadi
 Ayoub.
- Street light report Amy Whetzel Auburn has new street lights, Calvert and Clemmons will get new lights this year, Beverly next year. All petitions are signed.
- Need for Committee Heads and Block Captains Carolyn Freeman reiterated the need for filling these positions with special emphasis on Neighborhood Watch. Jon Clark noted the importance of these positions to enhance community communication and spread the work load. Jacques Romain noted the need to involve the newer and younger members of the community and for a welcome package to include land use information. Suggestions made for community yard sales, carwash at Kim's, wine socials and other opportunities.

Land Use Issues

- DeGroff Ct. Jon Clark Explanation of the DeGroff approval process: the borrowing of density to build 9 new lots, formation of HOA, threat of \$100,000 plus assessment on existing home owners, false information on the existing pond, questionable notice,. Jacque will ask for HOA bylaws.
- Commercialization of Annandale Acres Jon Clark: Mention of the Department of Code Compliance, the zoning code is confusing, Dan Kellogg spoke for Trang

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Mai's appeal and her commercial use of her property. Joe Coleman spoke about some surprising elements of the Code. Betty Emmons spoke on some Beverly St. issues.

- Election of Directors
 - o Treasurer Amy Whetzel voted in as Treasurer
 - Acting Secretary Diane Ditzler voted in as Secretay
 - At Large Member/s role explained no action taken
- New Business Carolyn Freeman:
 - o Membership Communications: emails and newsletter: more to come
 - AACA Meeting Schedule: quarterly meetings/proposed dates: posted soon
 - By laws Amendment: Proposed Changes and timeline for review and <u>vote during</u> meeting: put them on the web site in advance. Proposed changes pending discussion. <u>Vote</u> on web site founding documents at a full membership meeting.
 - Community Pickup scheduled for March 13 (2nd Tuesday) working on scheduling it. Put schedule on web site with rules or link to the rules.
 - Request volunteers for committee and <u>vote</u> on establishing Block Captain positions. Constitution and bylaw committee? Membership Committee – Lynn Hoffman volunteered. Adjournment 8:40