



# Camphor Heights Neighborhood Association Newsletter

Our Mission "Promote community through neighborly interaction".

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## Hi neighbor!

Hi neighbors!

I have good news! As of this writing, we have taken the first step to becoming a 501 c3. By the end of the month we should be official! This is good for us. Once we are a non-profit, we can accept donations from anyone and it is a tax write off for them! Money we take in can be used for any purpose or to have more Movies in the Park!

I would also like to welcome and congratulate two new members; Wiley Davi is our newest VP2 and Rebecca MacPherson, our secretary. Since we will be a non-profit business, we will need a treasurer. If anyone is interested, please let us know!!

As always, we are looking for volunteers for our events as well as Block Captains. If you are interested, let me know!!

Thanks,

Lee S. Robinson  
[chna1917@gmail.com](mailto:chna1917@gmail.com)

PS: We are also looking for volunteers to help with beautifying our sign when the sidewalk is finished. Let me know if interested!

## **Annual** Neighborhood Yard Sale **Sat. Jan 28th 8am to 2pm**

Clean out that closet! Declutter the garage!

Make a little cash!

Set up in your driveway, put a yard sale sign in your front yard,  
and we will do the rest!

Email [SeriouslyFun.19@gmail.com](mailto:SeriouslyFun.19@gmail.com) to Register.

Provide your address and what you will be selling.

This info will be put on the Map that will be shared with customers.

Questions? [seriouslyfun.19@gmail.com](mailto:seriouslyfun.19@gmail.com)

Brought to you by our Seriously Fun Committee

**All will concede that in order to have good neighbors, we must also be good neighbors. That applies in every field of human endeavor.**

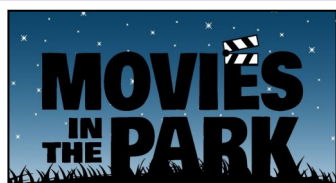
*Harry S. Truman*



# NOW IN LOCAL NEWS

## Congratulations!

Wiley C. Davi of Shady Lane, is our new VP2. She is replacing Eddie Brandt who moved from our neighborhood in Nov. She moved to the neighborhood in 2018, when she purchased the HGTV house on Shady Lane. She loves our neighborhood and wants to be a positive support! Congratulations, Wiley!



It's coming!

If you would like to make a suggestion, we are open to that! We are currently using [www.Swank.com](http://www.Swank.com). Once on the site, go to the Parks & Rec options, and there are Current Trends, as well as Genre's.

The current suggestions:  
"Wakanda" or "Lightyear".

Send your suggestion to [seriouslyfun.19@gmail.com](mailto:seriouslyfun.19@gmail.com).

**Sat. February 25, 2023 6:30pm**

Dobbins Park

FREE MOVIE

Concessions will be on sale.



## Seriously Fun Committee

The committee had a meeting early January. Here is the current plan for events!

1. Neighborhood Yard Sale—Jan 28th
2. Movies in the Park—Feb 25th
3. Puppy Parade/National Night Out—Aug 1
4. Halloween Parade??
5. Movies in the Park—Nov 18th
6. Lights on Camphor—Dec 16th

We are always looking for new faces! Email [Seriouslyfun.19@gmail.com](mailto:Seriouslyfun.19@gmail.com) so you can receive reminders about meetings and events!



## Ann's Corner

By Ann Nejedly

Warm Winter Wishes! Hope y'all had a great Christmas and Best Wishes for a happy New Year.

With that cold spell at Christmas time, quite a few of my plants got hit. As much as I don't enjoy looking at them like that (they are ugly), we don't want to cut them back yet. If we do they will start to bud out, and if we get more cold weather they will get bit and the cold may go down to the roots and kill the plant. The dead leaves and burnt foliage will protect the plant if it gets cold again.

Now is a good time to plant some trees. The best time to plant a tree depends on your region. Fall is a good time. Our soil doesn't freeze so it's still not too late. The benefits of planting a tree now are varied. This time of the year we have cooler weather and less rain fall, so the roots can acclimate itself to heat and droughts. Add two or three inches of mulch in a ring around the tree, but not touching the trunk. Water is very important make sure to water after planting, and as needed. You can go to [arbordayblog.org](http://arbordayblog.org) for more information.



## CHNA Neighborhood Meeting

Jan 9, 2023, 6:30pm

In attendance: Lee Robinson lead the meeting. Mike Matlick, Holly Cleveland, Frankie Martin, Angie Ellis, Officer Halstead, Rebecca MacPherson, Wiley Davi, Daniel Long, Virginia Thomas. Refreshments provided by Mrs. Donna Miller of Camphor Drive.

**Sign in/Introductions:** New neighbor, Virginia Thomas, just moved to Shady Lane from Washington.

Minutes from last meeting approved. Michael approved; Wiley seconded the motion.

### Lakeland PD Neighborhood update:

Angie Ellis gave report of latest incidents and handed out brochures about preventing Catalytic Converter theft. There were quite a few incidents around Ariana, Harden, and Bonnie Drive. She also gave the non-emergency number out 863-834-6966 and reminded us to not leave old cell phones around as they still have the capacity of connecting to 911.

### CHNA Business:

Lee updated attendees on the status of the 501c and next steps with regards to opening bank account and establishing a Board of Directors.

#### New VP:

Wiley Davi was nominated for VP2 and all agreed. She is replacing Eddie Brandt.

#### Block Captains:

VA Thomas volunteered to be a captain for her street, she will follow up with Lee to get a CHNA sign. She also mentioned that she was good with social media and is willing to help with that project.

### Neighborhood Business:

1. Zen's Cleaning and Dixieland Handyman Services are new business sponsors.
2. Sidewalk construction has started on Beacon. We discussed beautification of the CHNA sign which will include flowers and sustainable plants.
3. Watch: No new issues.
4. Newsletter: We discussed the city stopping the support of money towards stamps, and how we can offset that cost for the next newsletter. We currently send out 221 every other month. Our current Block Captains may need to deliver our newsletter to their respective blocks.

### Projects coming up:

1. Neighborhood Yard sale on January 28<sup>th</sup> 8-2 pm.
2. Movies in the park. The movie Lightyear was brought up as well as Wakanda and other classic movies.
3. National Night Out – we discussed getting involved with this event happening in August.
4. Possible Halloween parade
5. Lights on Camphor in December.

Remember we are always looking for volunteers or Block Captains! Let us know if you want to help out!!

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:30.**

## Next Neighborhood Advisory Board meeting

**March 13, 2023 6:30pm to 7:30pm**

**Dobbins Park**

We will be in one of the Pavilions, closer to the school.

Look for our yellow meeting signs!

Agenda

Election

Upcoming events





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**Remember:**  
**For Trash and Yard Debris**

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1) Here is a link for some Energy Rebates through our Electric Company that might benefit you! You can either access it online or call for more information!  
<https://lakelandelectric.com/customers/save-energy/rebates>

2) This link is for a water conservation program from the city to replace old large per flush toilets.  
<http://www.lakelandgov.net/conservation>



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