



## **Chastain Park Civic Association Meeting Recap August 27, 2018**

### **She's Wired Presentation**

The CPCA has a business sponsorship program where local businesses support our organization. She's Wired is a new sponsor, and Sue Cleere, She's Wired Owner, joined us to share information about the services they provide. They provide setup, training, trouble shooting of various technologies in your home or office. As a CPCA member, if you book an appointment by September 15, 2018, you will receive a 20% discount if you mention you are a CPCA member.

### **Treasurer's Report**

We have approximately \$47,000 in our bank account, and have around 600 members. The new member drive will begin in October this year, and we are hoping to increase our membership. There are approximately 1,500 to 2,000 households in the Chastain Park neighborhood so please reach out and mention joining to your neighbors.

### **Street Captains**

The CPCA is looking to revive our street captain program. It is a great way to get to know your neighbors and volunteer without a big time commitment. If you are interested in serving as a CPCA street captain, please reach out to one of the board members for more information.

### **Membership Survey**

A HUGE thank you to everyone who participated in the membership survey this summer. We received some great feedback, and the Board is reviewing and discussing the information provided. Mark Peabody was announced as the winner of the Zoe's gift card. Congratulations Mark!

### **Powers Ferry Bride Update**

Jim Elgers, Senior Policy Advisor & Community Affairs at Office of Chairman J.P. Matzigkeit, provided a Powers Ferry bridge replacement update. The bridge will be completely closed; no walking or driving across the bridge will be permitted during construction. Alternative walking routes have been drafted and are available for review. Pineland and Hillside Drive will remain open during the project, and APS bus drivers have been notified. Jim asked for neighbors to keep an eye out and if anything looks out of place to contact JP's office.

Neighbors raised concerns about the backup of traffic on Jett Road during school dismissal times. It is dangerous for children to cross the street in that area already, and there are safety concerns with the additional traffic. Also, the intersection of Jett and Powers Ferry is not correctly marked, which raises more concerns. There is a need for an officer to be posted at these peak times.

Another concern is the 5-way stop south of the park on Powers Ferry. This intersection backs up, and drivers find it difficult on normal peak times. Neighbors requested that an officer be posted during peak rush hour times to assist with the flow of traffic.

One neighbor shared her conversation with her child's APS bus driver and that driver was not aware that the Powers Ferry bridge was going to be out. There are concerns that the information has not trickled down to each bus driver. Neighbors requested that JP's office reach out to the individual schools affected by the project to notify the local leadership.

### **Chastain Park Conservancy Updates**

Rosa McHugh provided the following updates.

- On Monday, September 3 at 11:30 am, CPC will host a dedication ceremony of the newest playground addition - the Rose Caroline Sugarman Playscape. The playground equipment was given by family in memory of Rose Caroline Sugarman, who died at age six of a glioblastoma, a malignant brain tumor.
- Because of the work performed on the playground, the CPC is eligible for a \$100,000 grant from Park Pride, and a Letter of Support from CPCA would be helpful for the grant application. CPCA members voted and approved the writing of a letter of support for the CPC to receive a \$100,000 grant from Park Pride.
- The playground shade structures were cut too short so they are re-doing them at no cost. They should be installed soon.
- The West Wieuca Path Project has been delayed due to concerns about how the speed tables would impact emergency response vehicles. They are working with the city.
- Striping of Park Drive has been permitted, and they are in the process of finding a contractor. It should take approximately 6 days to complete the project, and they will coordinate with Galloway.
- Please consider supporting the CPC's First Saturday program which is a volunteer community day. The next one scheduled is this Saturday, September 1 at 9am. Volunteers meet in the Chastain Park Red lot.
- They have noted that there are lots of dead limbs along Park Drive. If you see any hazardous items in the park, contact Parks Customer Service at 404-546-6813 to have a work order created.
- If you see any general maintenance items in the park, please contact Rosa McHugh because she follows up with the city to ensure things are taken care of.
- There was a park wide maintenance meeting held last Friday with representatives from the city so things are making progress.
- Rock Chastain will be held on Thursday, October 4. This benefit concert is a primary funder of CPC's projects throughout the year. Tickets are \$50/each.
- The CPC is only \$5,000 short for the Bocce Ball court. Once the funds are raised, it will be located on the playground property next to the Arts Center driveway

### **LiveNation Concert on September 4, 2019**

Rosa McHugh received a request to hold a concert on Wednesday, September 4, 2019. Since it is after Labor Day on a weekday, it is outside of the approved timing concert calendar. The membership discussed how a portion of the funds raised from the tickets supports improvements to the park, and the better the attendance the better. Members voted and unanimously approved the one-time concert on Wednesday, September 4, 2019.