



August 2011

2010-2011 Board of Directors, Officers, & Committees

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**Join a Committee and contrib-
ute!** Board meeting attendance
not required.

Sept Board Meeting

September 24th
4-7 pm
Sturnbridge Park

Board meetings are open to any
homeowner who wishes to at-
tend.

Sturnbridge Neighborhood Association, P.O Box 472954, Charlotte, NC 28247

Did You Know?

Did you know replacing an air conditioner's air filter isn't like the Olympics? It shouldn't happen once every four years. In fact, the Department of Energy estimates you can save up to 15% on your energy bills JUST by changing your air filters at least every 90 days. These filters serve an important purpose- they remove dirt, dust and other debris from the air and keep those pollutants from building up in the system. When changed regularly, a clean air filter will reduce your home's energy consumption and extend the lifespan of the unit.

Architectural Control

Homeowners must first obtain Committee approval for any exterior modification to your home or property, including a new roof, siding, windows, or paint.

The application form can be downloaded at www.sturnbridge.com or obtained by calling Max Rollins at 704.542.1759 or Bill Allen at 704.543.0060.

Architectural Approvals

There were no approvals for August.

Neighborhood Directory

The Sturnbridge Directory 2011 is almost completed. The copies will be distributed as soon as possible. If you have an extra 30 minutes to hour to spare to finalize the directory, please contact Dan at parksan-drec@sturnbridge.com.

Calling All Neighbors!

We need 3 to 5 volunteers to assist with the Sturnbridge Board. It would only require a 1 hour per month and will greatly benefit our community. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Bill at president@sturnbridge.com.

Board Meeting Notes

The board is soliciting quotes to replace the swing sets. One set will be for children, and one set will be for babies. There will be two swings on each support for a total of four new swings.

Ideas for the coming year include improving the play court and creating a small kids town with bicycle Roadways. The board also plans to implement a Yard of the Month award.

Annual Meeting

The annual gathering and meeting to elect Board Members will be held Saturday, September 24th from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the park.

The dinner will be Barbeque with all the fixings plus chicken nuggets and fruit for the children. There will also be the moon bounce for the children to enjoy. Don't forget be the annual Dessert Contest with a chance to win Target gift cards. Bring your best treat!

Thank you

A big thank you for Irene Salema, Cheryl Greene, and David Greene for hosting the 4th of July Parade It was a great celebration!

SNA Dues

Don't forget your SNA dues of \$125 are due by August 31st. Late fees will be assessed starting September 1st. Please mail them to SNA, P.O Box 472954, Charlotte, NC 28247. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Culp at 704-542-1042.

Lawn Tip of the Month

Hot, dry temperatures are stressful for your lawn. To help keep your grass in pristine condition, raise the height of your lawnmower's blade. Allowing your lawn to grow taller during the summer will help promote a better root system and develop a more drought resistant turf. The taller grass blades also discourage weed development and help shade your soil, which conserves moisture.

Bike Ride for MS

John Walters from 5703 Ivygate Lane will be riding his bike for the National MS Society in September. All donations would be greatly appreciated and are fully tax deductible.

Make Your Deck Shine

Decks, like cars and people, need regular baths. Annual cleanings with a pressure washer will help remove any dirt, mold or mildew. They can deteriorate the materials, and they're also slippery, leading to spills for those who aren't surefooted. But be cautious when using a pressure washer for cleanings. These machines are powerful and can cause physical injury and property damage if not used correctly.

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Dear Neighbor,

It's that time of the year again. The Sturnbridge Annual Meeting and Picnic will be held Saturday, September 24th, 2011 from 4-7 pm at the park. Please join us for free BBQ and to elect your new officers for the Association's Board of Directors. Don't forget the annual dessert contest! Bring your Favorite dessert to the gathering to share with neighbors, and you could win a Target Gift Card for 1st, 2nd or 3rd place!

We need 3 to 5 volunteers to help with the business of Sturnbridge. If you have thought of volunteering, your own neighborhood is a great place to start or continue your volunteer efforts. There are many opportunities in our neighborhood that require very small amounts of time and energy.

If you are able to help, please fill out the form below and return it with your Proxy Ballot, or bring it to the Annual Meeting with you. ***Please RSVP for the picnic to Megan Raulston at SOCIAL@STURNBRIDGE.COM by Sunday September 11th to ensure an accurate head count for the BBQ.***

Thanks in advance for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Sturnbridge Neighborhood Association

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Please indicate if you would be interested in any of the following:

- _____ 1. I/We would be willing to serve on the Association Board of Directors.
_____ 2. I/We would be willing to prepare a welcoming meal for new Residents.
_____ 3. I/We would be willing to serve on the following committee(s): Circle Choices

- a. Architectural Control
- b. Welcoming
- c. Entrances

- d. Parks
- e. Scoop newsletter
- f. Social Committee
- g. Help with the following events:
 - ___ Easter Egg Hunt ___ July 4th Parade
 - ___ BBQ Picnic ___ Halloween Parade
 - ___ Holiday Party ___ Garage Sale

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2011 Election Ballot

Sturnbridge's 2011 Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 24th at the Sturnbridge Park, in conjunction with the neighborhood's Annual Gathering. The only agenda item for this meeting is the elections of board members for the Sturnbridge Homeowners' Association. Voting will be by paper ballot. Each dues paying household in Sturnbridge is allowed one vote. The vote may be cast during the gathering or by sending this completed proxy vote in advance of the meeting to William M. Allen, Jr. at 5605 Ivygate Lane or scan and e-mail to president@sturnbridge.com.

You may vote for each individual or for the whole slate listed. Candidates that have agreed to serve appear on this ballot - write in votes are certainly allowed, as we hope to fill all 10 board positions. The newly elected board members will determine individual positions for officers and committee chairpersons as well as length of term at the October 2011 monthly board meeting, per the Sturnbridge Homeowner Association Bylaws.

Each ballot must be completed with the homeowner name, address, and signature to be valid. This is to ensure that only households eligible to vote cast ballots. After verification, the homeowner information will be removed from the vote area prior to tabulation. Remember, it's never too late to pay your Association dues and qualify to vote on neighborhood issues. Feel free to attach your dues check to this ballot (\$125 payable to Sturnbridge Homeowner's Association).

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

In accordance with the Neighborhood Bylaws, ballots must be cast by one tenth of the eligible voters for the election to be valid. Please do your part and vote!

To vote for each individual, please check the line next to the candidate or check here _____ to vote for the slate listed as a whole. The neighborhood needs to elect 10 individuals to the SNA Board.

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Write-in Candidates
