



Trinity Park news

FALL 2016

“A Place for Everyone”... 2016 Trinity Park Home Tour!



As many of you know, Trinity Park has a Home Tour every other year to raise funds for neighborhood improvements. Each time there is a theme, and this year's theme is: **“A Place for Everyone.”** Nine homeowners have generously agreed to allow the public into their homes for the benefit of the Trinity Park Neighborhood Association.

It takes tremendous effort and attention to detail to make a home “showable,” and we are very grateful for homeowners' generosity. Please thank them as you tour their homes on **October 16!**

These homes showcase the diversity we enjoy in Trinity Park with the breadth of styles and sizes of homes in our neighborhood. On the 2016 tour, we have small and large homes, a condominium and alley house, and gardens that range from very private spaces to a multifamily, co-housing shared greenspace where there is a working outdoor oven and bee keeping. We even have a house that used to be a duplex but is now a single-family home!

The architecture is equally varied, from a mission-style brick house (on Watts) to a classic brick bungalow (on Dacian) to a Tudor cottage (on Norton). Many of the

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homes have been renovated/updated, and the alley house is a great example of repurposing materials like cabinetry and flooring.

Two of the homes are owned by artists. Ilene Hadler works with glass—fused glass, specifically—which makes that home sparkle. Another home is owned by a photographer where she has her studio. Can Dickenson, a new resident of Trinity Park, features senior citizens in her work.

Some homes have very interesting historical significance. Some had unknown architects while others were designed by notable ones who contributed not only to other homes in the neighborhood, but to other buildings important to Durham's history.

Important Durham families, such as the Mangum family, have lived in some of these homes. Another was the Griswald family, who were the developers of Hope Valley, and one of whose members was mayor of Durham from 1910-1912.

The geography of this Tour is also distinct. We are showing homes from our borders north to south (from Norton/Englewood to Watts between Lamond and Gloria).

Some interesting anecdotes about some of the homes draw from Durham history and historic buildings and architecture. Did you know that there was a woman named Demerius Dollar whose family owned the land where those two streets meet in our neighborhood? One of the homes at that intersection is on the Tour. And another one of the homes on Norton was featured in the hit HGTV show, "Love It or List It."



The Tour will be held on **Sunday, October 16, from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm**. The Street Festival, inaugurated in 2014, will also be in full swing on Watts Street between Trinity and Minerva. Come out and take a look at the vendors and artists who will have booths there. There will be food trucks at the Park and an ice cream truck on Green Street so you can get a little refreshment along the way from south to north.

We need volunteers for the day of the Tour and Festival and some for before the day of the Tour. If you would like to volunteer to work the day of the Tour as a docent or in ticket sales or festival set-up/tear-down, please contact Jody White at jaws28403@gmail.com or 919-308-0851.

If you are willing to distribute posters in mid-September to businesses in Durham, Raleigh and Chapel Hill, reach out to Diane Amato at damato@nc.rr.com or 919-270-1923. If you would like to ask any questions or make suggestions about the Tour, please contact Mimi Kessler at mimikessler1@gmail.com or 919-599-2892.

We hope we have a beautiful fall day like we did in 2014, and that lots of you come out to see the span of your neighborhood and take in the excitement!

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Tickets are available online via <http://trinitypark.org> and at Morgan Imports, The Regulator, and Classic Treasures. Tickets are \$20 per person (no volume discounts).

Another event going on at the same time as the Tour (but not connected to it) is the 100th anniversary of the George Watts School. It was the first brick structure built in Durham, and the school is planning on having displays of memorabilia about the history of the school and tours of the building. There was a movie made some time ago about the longtime teacher and principal of the school, Lorraine Pridgin, called "Good Morning, Miss Dove." It was based on a book by Frances Gray Patton, whose children went to the Watts school under Miss Pridgin's tutelage. The movie will be playing with popcorn for those attending! The school will be open for tours both Saturday and Sunday October 15 and 16.



National Night Out

By Steve Falzarano

On Tuesday evening August 2, about 75 of our neighbors and friends joined each other in Trinity Park to celebrate National Night Out. Gatherers welcomed the opportunity to see old friends and neighbors and meet new ones... kids and adults and a few pets too! We all enjoyed some desserts and refreshments—cotton candy and s'mores. Most importantly, we all just enjoyed some neighborly camaraderie in a safe and secure environment!

Captain Rose from Durham Police Department Special Operations and District 2 Sergeant Gunter joined us to talk about neighborhood concerns and answer any questions. We also had Durham County Commissioners and Sheriff Deputies come by to talk with us. Beth El Temple and Trinity Avenue Presbyterian Church members joined in, brought desserts to share, and made informational materials available about their organizations.

Special thanks to all of our volunteers who helped organize and run the event: Anne Stoddard and her family, Joanna Darby, Tanya Matta, Philip Azar, Casey Baker, Philip Dismukes, Sue Concannon, and anyone else who helped out. Your time and effort was greatly appreciated!

Unfortunately our evening ended a little early when the skies opened up, and the rain poured down, but all in all it was a great fun and very successful evening!

I'd like to thank the Trinity Park Neighborhood Association for supporting National Night Out and providing funds to help put on a spectacular event. But most importantly, special thanks to our neighborhood residents who make Trinity Park such a great place to live and call home!



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PORCH-Durham Going Strong in Trinity Park

By Katy Barron

Trinity Park continues to be a reliable and generous supporter of PORCH-Durham's efforts to alleviate hunger and food insecurity among local school-age children.

PORCH is a simple concept. It's a monthly neighborhood food drive; however, rather than you delivering your donation, we pick it up from you!

On average, 20 porches from this neighborhood provide 40 bags of food to PORCH-Durham every month. PORCH participants also supplement George Watts Elementary's school pantry when it runs low. Many thoughtful neighborhood parents often request PORCH donations instead of birthday presents for children's birthday parties.

Participating is easy. We'll send you a monthly reminder when the collection date is nearing. You buy food from the suggested donation list and leave it on your porch on the collection day. A volunteer will pick it up and take it from there. You can contribute every month or whenever it is convenient. Contributions are tax deductible.

Joan Austin and Katy Barron serve as the neighborhood co-coordinators. We collect once a month on a Sunday

evening after 5:30 pm and deliver the food to PORCH the following Monday morning. Upcoming collection dates are:

- September 18
- October 16
- November 13
- December 11

To join the list for monthly pick-up reminders, email katysbarron@gmail.com.

PORCH-Durham collects food to support the Backpack Buddies and School Pantry Programs sponsored by Durham's Inter-Faith Food Shuttle.

Those programs provide backpacks of food for each weekend of the school year to children who might otherwise go hungry.

Durham Public Schools recognizes that our neighborhood's collections help support our local elementary schools, George Watts Montessori Magnet and E.K. Powe. For more information about PORCH-Durham, see: <https://durham.porchcommunities.org>.



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Ellerbe Creek Nature Tour

By Chris Sajdak

We at the Ellerbe Creek Watershed Association (ECWA) would like to invite you to our 2016 Ellerbe Creek Nature Tour on **Saturday, October 8 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm**. There will be five tour stops, including four of our public preserves and a Creek Smart® community. Each tour stop will have hands-on nature activities, including environmental educators with live animals and reptiles, take-home craft stations, short hikes, and more. We are pleased that Durham historian John Schelp, Dr. Tracy Feldman of the North Carolina Herpetological Society, native plant dye artist Molloy Rogers, the Digging Durham Seed Library, among others, will be joining ECWA for this event. Several tour stops will offer Spanish speaking guides. The Ellerbe Creek Nature Tour is a free, family friendly event that will provide all a chance to learn much more about the creek which flows right through Trinity Park and what ECWA is doing to protect it.

In exciting news, ECWA's newest preserve, The Rocks, will be open for the Nature Tour. This new preserve is nearly 3 acres in size and is located right on the Ellerbe Creek near the intersection of Broad St. and Stadium Dr.

The Rocks will be connected to the proposed expansion of the West Ellerbe Creek Trail, making it accessible by foot and bike from all over Durham. ECWA was lucky to have a crew from the North Carolina Youth Conservation Corps work on the preserve for a week in late July. Together they built several hiking trails and completed many smaller projects.

Along with the Nature Tour, ECWA will hold regularly scheduled nature hikes, preserve workdays, and Family Explorer Club outings (for children ages 0-6 and their families) throughout the fall and winter. ECWA relies on the generous support from individual donors, so please consider becoming a member or making a one-time donation so that we can continue to provide free programming and protect the places you love.

Visit <http://www.creektour.org> for more information about the 2016 Ellerbe Creek Nature Tour. To learn more about the Ellerbe Creek Watershed Association, or to sign up for an event, please visit <http://www.ellerbecreek.org> or call our office at (919) 698-9729.

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News from The Trinity Park Foundation, Inc.

The Trinity Park Foundation, Inc. ("The Foundation") remains dedicated to its mission and purpose:

(1) to encourage and promote community pride in the neighborhood by providing a focus for neighborhood activity. (2) To preserve and enhance the physical character of the neighborhood by encouraging maintenance, revitalization, and beautification of buildings and grounds (including shade trees), and by encouraging the renovation of existing buildings rather than their demolition and replacement (3) to acquire and maintain such properties or real estate as the Trinity Park Neighborhood Association deems of interest or as contributing to the overall character of the neighborhood.

The Foundation now has greater "official" responsibility for neighborhood capital improvements following some reassignments from the Trinity Park Neighborhood Association. In the next eighteen months, The Foundation will continue to focus on four important areas: The Park, our medians, public art, and trees.

The Foundation Board includes the five officers of TPNA (Don Ball, Marc Phillips, Andrew Stark, Ted Snyderman, and Jody White) and six at-large members (Julia Borbely-Brown, Linda Wilson, Shelley Dekker, Raya Sagdejeva, Gil Wheless, and David C. Smith).

As The Foundation refines plans to collaborate with the Museum of Durham History and create a small History Grove in **The Park**, we will also continue to expand and improve the existing beds. This fall landscaping work will address runoff along the eastern border of The Park and thus help it be a better neighbor to adjoining properties.

We also hope work will begin on a decorative pebble mosaic walkway (with an "insect theme"), which will provide a more user-friendly access than the current grit path from the granite steps on the north side of The Park, as well as add a creative element to the landscaping.

One popular feature in The Park is the **Little Free Library** (LFL), created with the support of The Foundation. We will keep this asset open and in good shape! We are grateful to LFL Champion, Sue Concannon, who checks on stock and condition. Please remember book donations are most welcome as you use the library.

The Foundation's **Art** Committee has commissioned artist Al Frega to design a new sign for the Main Street median. The existing Main Street sign will be moved to a new location. The committee will also obtain the required permission from the City of Durham to place the Marie Austin memorial sculpture in the Markham Avenue median. This piece of art, designed by Michael Waller, has been in storage for several years. We are grateful to Dan Jewell for his help with the City's permission process.

The Foundation will also **maintain the three circle medians; work to enhance the Markham Avenue median; and partner with the City of Durham to beautify the Trinity Avenue median.** Plans for maintenance of ALL of these medians include organizing neighbors to devote time on a volunteer work day. Please look for ListServe appeals and join us for productive mornings this fall!

In partnership with the City of Durham, we will continue to plant and care for **trees** in the public spaces and in the right-of-way along our streets so the tree canopy, a beautiful and vital feature of our neighborhood, will flourish long after we are gone.

We need YOUR volunteer help and financial support for these significant improvements in Trinity Park. If you have other ideas, or are willing to help with any of our endeavors, please contact Julia Borbely-Brown, President of The Foundation, at juliaborbelybrown@yahoo.com.



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High-speed Internet, TV, and Phone Services: Understanding the (many!) Options

By Kevin Davis

Hardly a week goes by that our fair listserv doesn't have a thread (or six) with complaints about high-speed Internet, questions about "cutting the cord" for TV services, curiosity about the fiber optic services announced, or general kvetching about cable and phone companies—two industries that tend to rate in popularity just above "dog walkers who leave poop in trash cans" in the neighborhood gestalt.

The good news is, there are some options you have today to get better service, less expensive service, or both. The better news is, there's even more choice coming in the months and years ahead as new service providers bring competition and new infrastructure to the Bull City and the broader Research Triangle region.

In our household, two years ago we were paying nearly \$350 per month for Internet, TV and phone service. Today, we're paying just \$145 per month—but have access to faster Internet, great no-contract cell phone coverage, and just the TV channels we want, while making our dollars go further.

Let's talk about your choices.

High-Speed Internet

Most Trinity Park residents today consider two options for Internet service: **Time Warner Cable** (recently acquired by **Charter**) and **Frontier**, the local phone provider.

Over the past year, Time Warner upgraded most of the Triangle region, including our neighborhood, to new, so-called "Maxx" speeds—prompted, one suspects, by the forthcoming new fiber optic competition. The upgrade increased speeds on the most common plan to 50 megabits (Mb/s) download, 5 Mb/s upload. Upgraded packages go up to 300 Mb/s down, 20 Mb/s up. Still, at \$60/month for service (absent any one-year specials, or discounts for bundling TV service)—plus \$10 per month if you rent a cable modem—there are less expensive options.

One very popular choice is using **EarthLink**, the old dial-up ISP, for cable modem service. Think of it as the Internet version of the "secret menu" at a restaurant. Thanks to a long-time but little-publicized partnership, you can purchase Time Warner broadband service through EarthLink at a significant savings. EarthLink's site advertises 15 Mb/s services for \$30/month for 6 months, then \$42/month thereafter. But EarthLink's marketing may be out of date—at our EarthLink-connected home, we're getting the 50 Mb/s speeds, all at a deep discount.

Whoever you use, if you're being charged for a modem rental fee, you can buy a modem through Best Buy, Amazon or other stores for the cost of a few months' rental fee. Check with your provider for a list of supported modems.

Whither **Frontier**? Their phone-based, DSL services haven't kept up with the times. Standard service is just 6 Mb/s download and an anemic 1 Mb/s upload—the latter a big problem if you use services like Dropbox, iPhoto or the like to store files in the cloud or email large attachments. And at \$35/month, it's not price-competitive with EarthLink. Frontier's highest-speed service reaches "up to" 24 Mb/s down, but still just 1 Mb/s upload, for nearly the full-cost price of Time Warner's service. To their credit, Frontier's customer service is US-based and, when I've been a subscriber, has been better at communicating about orders, billing and problems.

Frontier may bring upgrades soon—they're rolling out fiber services in some parts of Durham, and are piloting new TV services here.

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Fiber Optic Services

One bit of good news is on the horizon: competition is coming to the local broadband market.

AT&T and Google Fiber are both in the process of building out backbone networks and other infrastructure needed to offer high-speed Internet services in many Triangle cities, including Durham. These networks are capable of truly next-generation speeds—one gigabit upload and download speeds, or 1,000 Mb/s up and 1,000 Mb/s down. (Whither Frontier, indeed.)

Neither provider has announced exactly which neighborhoods they are serving, or when, or whether a critical mass of homes will need to commit to service to get wired. But don't worry about missing out; you can expect to see announcements on the listserv when construction and eventually service availability reaches neighborhoods. You can also provide your address on the AT&T Gigapower and Google Fiber web sites to ask to be notified if and when your address qualifies for service.

On a related note, if Durham follows other cities' pattern, expect incumbents to offer deep-discounts if you'll lock in to two or three year deals once fiber gets here. Be careful about signing on the line until you can evaluate the new competition.

If you're not happy with today's broadband options, the competition means new, next-generation options that'll be available in Durham long before most cities in the country or the world.

And if you're happy with today's broadband? More competition usually means faster services at lower prices.

TV Services

Time Warner Cable and satellite dish options from Dish and DirecTV (now owned by AT&T) are still popular ways to get TV channels. But the cost of all those all-included channels means that cable/satellite prices are still creeping up.

If you've got broadband Internet, you may find yourself watching Amazon, Hulu, or Netflix more often than you used to. Is "cutting the cord"—cancelling TV service and retaining just high-speed Internet—the right choice for you?

The good news is, cord-cutting has never been better or easier than before. For one thing, over-the-air channels come in clear, all-digital, high-definition quality (sometimes clearer over the air than on cable or satellite due to compression.)

You'll need a good antenna for service. For best results, a roof-mounted or window antenna may be needed. A good starting point is antennaweb.org, a free site that will tell you the kind of antenna you may need based on your address.

At our house, a Leaf antenna from Raleigh-based company Mohu, mounted in a southeast facing window, works well to pick up almost all the stations. ABC 11 fans, take note: Durham's own WTVD 11 is among the hardest stations to pick up with any antenna. It's doable, but you'll need a powerful, well-installed antenna to do so reliably.

It's possible to buy a digital video recorder (DVR) to record programs from over-the-air channels—ChannelMaster and Tablo make well-regarded units—but this is a more challenging topic.

Want to cut the cord, but still interested in a select few cable channels, like the inescapable ESPN? A growing number of online services, notably **SlingTV**, **PlayStation Vue**, and forthcoming options from Hulu and DirecTV allow you to stream the most popular cable channels without cable service. Instead of a cable box, you use a streaming device like a **Roku** or **Amazon Fire** to watch your channels.

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The advertisement for ACME Plumbing Co. features a circular logo at the top with the text "ACME PLUMBING Co." inside. Below the logo, the tagline "Your neighborhood plumber since 1947." is written in a large, elegant script. The contact information, including the address "636 Foster St. Durham, NC 27701", the phone number "(919) 688-1348", and the website "ACMEPLUMBING.COM", is listed in a clean, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the text "Est. 1947" is accompanied by a small graphic of a water drop.

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We chose Sling TV, which for \$20 per month provides access to ESPN, TNT, TBS, HGTV, Food Network, and a range of other channels.

Streaming services like Sling and Netflix can use a lot of data, and some worry that broadband providers will eventually try to charge you for data usage, like wireless providers do. Some good news is the FCC, in approving the merger of Time Warner Cable and Charter, requires Charter for the next seven years to continue providing unlimited, all-you-can-stream Internet and to play nice with these new competitors. Neither Frontier nor Google Fiber “meter” usage, while AT&T’s 1 terabyte/month cap is plenty for streaming.

Phone Services

If you have a cell phone, competition has radically changed the options you have for service. Brevity prohibits a full listing of the options. Suffice it to say that now is an excellent time to look at prepaid services as a very compelling alternative to traditional carriers.

These off-price options increasingly give you the same speeds, phones and networks as AT&T, Verizon, Sprint and T-Mobile—indeed, these companies own many of the prepaid providers. But they come at a fraction of the cost, and are all-inclusive of tax and regulatory fees.

We switched two years ago to AT&T-owned **Cricket**, which uses the same high-quality AT&T cell network as its parent. Download speeds are limited to 4-8 Mb/s, but realistically, that’s all you need on a cell phone. We pay \$35/month for

unlimited talk, text and 2.5 GB of LTE-speed data for each of our two phones; you could also get the same service for five phones for \$100.

(T-Mobile’s **MetroPCS**, Sprint’s **Boost** and **Virgin Mobile**, Verizon-compatible **Straight Talk/TracFone**, and senior-friendly **Consumer Cellular**, which uses AT&T’s network, are but a few of the many other options.)

With all these services, you need to bring your own phone. If you have an iPhone or other phone that’s out-of-contract, ask your carrier to “unlock” your phone; most smartphones made in the last few years will work well on at least a couple and sometime all of the U.S.’s four major networks, including their off-price brands. If not, you can buy outright an inexpensive Android phone or buy an iPhone for use on these networks.

Are you (or your teens) heavy users of streaming audio/video sites, or do you frequently travel internationally? If so, T-Mobile’s postpaid Simple Choice plan is worth a look, with free streaming and affordably-priced international services. One caution: while T-Mobile’s network is fine in urban areas like the Triangle, their rural coverage, while improving, still lags AT&T and Verizon in particular.

Still using a landline? Check out **Ooma**, available at retailers or online, or **Vonage** as possible alternatives; these work to provide landline services over your high-speed Internet connection. Note that 911 service can work differently and you must register the address where you use the service, so read the fine print.

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Help Clean-up Trinity Park—MANY Volunteers Needed! Saturday, October 15, 2016 from 9:00 am to noon

Please help us tidy up the *entire* neighborhood as we prepare for the October 16 Home Tour! We hope to partner again with neighborhood

churches, local schools, and Duke Student Government to cover EVERY block—from Main to Club and from Buchanan to Duke (and points East) and all the intersecting streets that form Trinity Park.

We need YOU to make this event successful. An effort like this requires many committed volunteers, ages 10 and older. We set the minimum age at 10 years based on experience in past years. There are some hazards with traffic in public areas and from broken glass and other debris. Safety is an important concern.

A special crew of younger children will be assigned the task of cleaning up The Park and sidewalks adjacent to that area. We will need several adults to help supervise.

We will divide Trinity Park into manageable sections for teams of two or three people to walk as they clean up trash and note problems for the City of Durham to address. The more crews, the more effective and efficient our work will be!

On **Saturday, October 15**, please arrive at the The Park (at the corner of Trinity Avenue and Watts) promptly at

9:00 am for a brief training session and to sign a waiver, pick up materials and receive your assignment. Bring work gloves, if you have them, and wear suitable clothing for walking and working outdoors. Do not wear flip flops, please, because that could pose a danger. The following items will be provided to each team: latex gloves, garbage bags and special bags for recyclables (cans/bottles). We will also have pens and pads to use for noting problems. Water and granola bars will be available too. Please let me know if you can help purchase the supplies we need.

Teams will note things like sidewalks in need of repair; potholes; overhanging limbs; abandoned cars; and overgrown vegetation. Priority items will be communicated to the City by October 26, 2016 to be addressed in a timely fashion, we hope, by the appropriate city departments. If you have a digital camera, or a cell phone with a camera, please bring that. TPNA would like to have photographs of the clean-up activities for the webpage and the newsletter. And, of course, pictures of any problem areas would be very useful as we communicate with the City.

Advance sign up would be helpful. Please email Julia Borbely-Brown by October 8, (juliaborbelybrown@yahoo.com). Thank you!

Trinity Park Halloween

We are fast approaching one of Trinity Park's favorite celebrations... HALLOWEEN! This year Halloween falls on **Monday**, and once again, TPNA will sponsor the annual Halloween Party and Costume Contest and Parade **October 31, 4:30-6:30 pm!**

The event will take place as usual in The Park. Festivities begin at 4:30 and will end at 6:30 pm, just in time for everyone go Trick-or-Treating. The Park will be decorated, treats will be available, and a craft table set-up for kids to decorate and personalize their Trick or Treat bags. Bags will be available for decoration or you can bring your own.

Last but not least... the Halloween Costume Parade and Contest! All kids are invited to participate in our Halloween Parade around The Park. Judges will be on hand to select the most original costumes and many prizes will be given. The entire family is encouraged to get in costume and join the fun. And don't forget your pets, too! So plan to come out and celebrate with your neighbors and friends. Last year we had an amazing turnout, and we hope to top that this

year. Additional details will be forthcoming on the ListServe. We are also looking for some volunteers to help with the events, as well as set-up and take-down. If you have ideas for an activity or would like to help, please contact Steven Falzarano at falzos8077@aol.com.



Hi, Trinity Park neighbors. We're just around the corner in Brightleaf Square, so stop by to see what's new (or even borrow a cup of sugar).

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TPNA BOARD MEETINGS

First Wednesday of the month, 7:00 pm. All Trinity Park residents are invited and encouraged to attend monthly TPNA board meetings, typically held on the first Wednesday of the each month in the George Watts Montessori School Media Center. Come join us to greet your neighbors and learn about events and issues important to our neighborhood.

BLOSSOM GARDEN CLUB

Second Tuesday of the month, 10:00 am (September through May). Come learn and share gardening ideas. Contact Elisabeth Stagg (elisabeth.stagg@gmail.com) for more information.

ELLERBE CREEK NATURE TOUR

Saturday, October 8, 1:00–5:00 pm. Learn about Ellerbe Creek, its history, plants, and wildlife with a tour and hands-on activities for kids.

HOME TOUR and STREET FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 16, 11:00 am–5:00 pm. Come tour the beautiful homes in our neighborhood and check-out vendors and artists. See pages 1-3 for additional information and volunteer opportunities.

TRICK-OR-TREAT

Monday, October 31, 4:30–6:30 pm. Calling all ghosts and goblins for a night of trick-or-treating. Meet your friends and fellow ghouls at The Trinity Park and enjoy this annual neighborhood event.

Wanted: Trinity Park Newsletter Editor

Join our team and lend your editing and design skills to a great cause! *Trinity Park News* is looking for someone to produce the quarterly newsletter. The newsletter is Microsoft Word-based and templated, so no fancy programs are needed. All content is provided, we just need someone to put it all together!

If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Marc Phillips (info@trinitypark.org).

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Membership Form and Volunteer Information

You love Durham. You love Trinity Park.

Become a member of the Trinity Park Neighborhood Association!

Have YOU joined the Trinity Park Neighborhood Association? For just \$15 per year (discounts available for multiple years!) you will be supporting the initiatives that make living here, in the heart of the city, so wonderful.

Some neighborhoods require residents to pay homeowners association fees, but Trinity Park Neighborhood Association is a voluntary group that relies on your financial and personal support for its activities. We encourage all residents—homeowners and renters—to join.

TPNA supports our neighborhood in many ways—with donations to neighborhood schools and organizations and by sponsoring great community events, like the Durham Symphony's Pops in the Park, the Halloween party, the Spring Egg Hunt, a biennial Home Tour, and clean-up days.

In addition to paying dues, please consider signing up to help with one of our events and efforts, or consider

joining a TPNA committee. Some efforts require only a couple volunteer hours each year. Simply complete the form below and the committee chair will contact you!

TPNA and its residents are the reasons for the success of this neighborhood. We continue to make progress and improvements and your membership and involvement will assist us in doing so.

We encourage neighbors to become actively engaged with our community—take the first step today by becoming a member!

To join or renew your membership, make checks payable to TPNA and send with a completed form to: TPNA Membership, P.O. Box 725, Durham, NC 27702. You can also join online at: <http://www.trinitypark.org>.

If you have questions about your membership status, email tpnamembership@trinitypark.org.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Durham, NC 27701

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Select a Membership Payment Option

- ☐ One Year = \$15
- ☐ Two Years = \$25
- ☐ Five Years = \$50
- ☐ Lifetime Membership = \$200

Please contact me about volunteering – check all that apply:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Building (Event organization) | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety/Neighborhood Watch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Association Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance/Budgeting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Delivery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic/Pedestrian Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Contact me as needs arise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> House Tour/Garden Tour | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | |
| (newsletter, website, social media) | |