THE FISHER PARKER

FALL 2026

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT BRINGS COMMUNITY TOGETHER



Rain earlier in the day gave way to perfect weather for National Night Out (NNO) on August 4. Residents gathered at East Park to enjoy an evening of food, activities, and community fellowship while getting to know and thanking the first responders who serve our neighborhood.

Children enjoyed the bounce house and other activities, while everyone had the opportunity to meet first responders and explore emergency and rescue vehicles on display. Food and ice cream were available from local food trucks.

The annual event continues to be a favorite neighborhood tradition, providing an opportunity for residents to meet one another, connect with community partners, and build relationships that help keep Fisher Park a welcoming and vibrant neighborhood.

Special thanks to Lydia White, our NNO chair, whose leadership made this another successful event.









2026 CALENDAR

HALLOWEEN PARADE & PARTY
Saturday, October 24
4:30-6 p.m.
East Park playground.
Phoebe Murray and Liddy Stewart, 336-402-0333

ANNUAL MEETING AND RECEPTION
Sunday, November 22
4 p.m.
Temple Emanuel

LUMINARIA DISPLAY
Sunday, December 13
Rain Date: Sunday, December 20
Emily Hinton, 336-266-2598

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
Friday, December 18
5:00-8:30 p.m.
Locations TBA
Audrey Sherk, 919-896-2755

PARK WORKDAYS
First and third Saturdays, weather permitting. Volunteers needed. Contact Jim Halsch for more information, 336-302-3738.

NEW NEIGHBOR?
Contact Fisher Park's Greeter for helpful information and a welcoming gift. Annik Adamson, 703-629-9093

ENGAGE!
To sign up for text updates and announcements, text FPNA (all caps) to 336-203-7773. Cancel any time. Join Fisher Park Neighborhood on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/700937891536

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PARK RENOVATIONS BEGIN

The gathering space at West Park is underway, according to Jim Halsch, Fisher Park Neighborhood Association Park Coordinator. Jim said that 10 trees have been removed and ground up. The next steps include installing water lines and irrigation, along with locked electrical outlets. They also expect to install the low seating and bluestone patio. Trees will be replanted in late fall or winter.



For more information about all aspects of the park renovations, please visit the Parks and Recreation website: www.greensboro-nc.gov/departments/parks-recreation/park-planning-development/parks . Scroll to P&R Current Projects where you will see Fisher Park Gathering Space.

CURBSIDE COCKTAILS WRAPS FOR YEAR

Celebrate Oktoberfest with your neighbors at the final Curbside Cocktails gathering on October 9 at 1014 Wharton Street, hosted by Scott Taylor and Lauren Wood. A bounce house will be provided for the children. Please bring your beverage of choice and snacks to share. A big thank you to all the neighbhors who graciously hosted this year. Special thanks to Lynn Haeseler for recruiting and coordinating hosts for Curbside Cocktails in 2026.

FPNA ANNUAL MEETING AND RECEPTION

Fisher Park residents are invited to attend the neighborhood's annual meeting and reception on Sunday, November 22 at 4 p.m. at Temple Emanuel, 713 N. Greene St.



The event, hosted by the Fisher Park Board, offers residents an opportunity to hear year-end committee reports and learn more about upcoming board plans. The 2027 Board will also be announced, with new members be voted in.

This year's agenda also includes the presentation of the Captain Fisher Award, along with a talk and cider testing led by Fisher Park resident, author, and cidermaker Diane Flynt. Refreshments will be served.

POT TENDERS NEEDED

The beautiful flowers at the entrances to our parks require volunteer labor to maintain. Specifically, we need more folks to ensure all pots are watered on a regular basis. If you would like to help, contact Nancy Schmidt at 313-941-0319.



SPOOKY FUN AHEAD

Fisher Park's annual family Halloween gathering is on Saturday, October 24 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Families should gather at the East Park playground. The fun includes a parade and goodies for all. Contact Phoebe Murray, at 336-402-1439.



LUMINARY ORDERING OPENS SOON

Online orders for luminary kits will open in early October. You can access the order links via the FP website https://fisherparknc.org/. text announcements. (If you are not signed up, text FPNA (all caps) to 336-203-7773.) or via Facebook www.facebook.com/groups/70093789136. If you are unable to access the online ordering system, please contact Emily Hinton, 336-266-2598.

If you'd like to help assemble kits, join us at Temple Emanuel on Tuesday December 8 at 5 p.m. Refreshments will be provided.

"CAPTAIN FISHER" AWARD WINNER TO BE NAMED

The Captain Fisher Award was established in 1983 to honor Captain Basil John Fisher. It is presented to an individual or organization in

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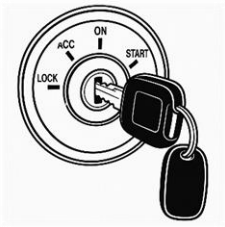
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recognition of unique and outstanding service in the interest of the preservation, restoration, and betterment of the Fisher Park Neighborhood. The FPNA Board will announce the 2026 winner at the annual meeting on November 22.

IS YOUR CAR A POTENTIAL TARGET?

Due to recent activities in our neighborhood, Community Resource Officer Zenada Thorpe reported on the "Kia Boyz" theft trend, which has spread through TikTok, YouTube, and other social media outlets.

Certain Kia and Hyundai vehicles with traditional key ignitions, generally older models made during the 2011-2022 period, were sold without an electric engine immobilizer. That device normally prevents a car from starting unless it recognizes the correct coded key. Social media videos publicized how the ignition systems in affected vehicles could be started with simple tools.



She encouraged Kia owners to check whether their vehicles qualify for a manufacturer-provided security update or other ani-theft protection.

TOUR GREEN HILL CEMETERY

The Friends of Green Hill Cemetery invite you join "The Plants & The Planted" guided walking tours at Green Hill Cemetery. These volunteer-led tours highlight notable individuals buried in the cemetery, historic monuments, and significant trees throughout the grounds.

Upcoming tours:

Saturday, October 31 from 10-11 a.m. Sunday, November 1 from 2-4 p.m.

Both tours begin at the south gate on Wharton Street near Fisher Avenue. The tours provide an opportunity to learn about local history, explore the cemetery's natural beauty, and support preservation efforts. No reservations are required, and the cost is **$5 per person**, with all fees benefiting Green Hill Cemetery

EARLY VOTING STARTS SOON

Here are some key dates for the mid-term elections:

- **Early Voting Begins:** October 15
- **Early Voting Ends:** October 31 at 3:00 p.m.
- **Absentee Ballot Request Deadline:** October 20 at 5:00 p.m.
- **Election Day:** Tuesday, November 3

How to Vote Early

During early voting, you may visit any one-stop early voting site in your county — no appointment necessary. Find Early Voting Sites Near You.

Voting by Absentee Ballot

To vote by mail, you must request an absentee ballot no later than October 20, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. Complete and return your ballot before Election Day to ensure it is counted.

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Election Day voting sites:

https://vt.ncsbe.gov/PPLkup

CITY UPDATES

Here are some tips from the City of Greensboro:

- Wipes (even the "flushable" ones) clog pipes, jam city sewer equipment, and create messy, expensive problems. Help protect your home and our waterways by only flushing toilet paper and human waste. Throw wipes and other bathroom trash in the bin, not the bowl! Want to keep our sewer system flowing smoothly? Visit greensboro-nc.gov/FOG. If you notice a water or sewer emergency, call Water Resources 24-hour Dispatch at 336-373-2033. Reporting issues early helps our crews respond quickly and prevent issues from becoming more severe.

- Effective December 1, 2026, a new statewide ban begins on discarding lithium-ion batteries in household trash or recycling carts. These batteries, found in everyday items like phones, earbuds, vapes, power tools, and smart toys, can ignite when crushed inside carts at home, collection trucks, or at trash/recycling facilities. Even small rechargeable devices can spark dangerous fires. To keep Greensboro safe, please Skip the Bin and Turn Your Batteries In.

FISHER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (FPNA) | P.O. BOX 2004, GREENSBORO, NC 27402

Mission: To preserve the historic and residential character of the Fisher Park neighborhood, and to work with the City of Greensboro to help maintain the scenic park for the benefit of the public.

2026 FPNA Board of Directors

Term Ends	Name	Phone	Email	Address
2027	Jim Coleman, President	336-409-3336	Jim.coleman16@gmail.com	405 W. Bessemer Avenue
2027	Vice President, Lydia White, National Night Out Coordinator	910-233-7274	ladylab2@gmail.com	803 N. Eugene Street
	Past President, Vacant			
2026	Mike Chapman, Treasurer	336-324-5805	mpchapman4739@gmail.com	818 N. Eugene Street
2026	Kathleen Forbes, Secretary, Social Media	336-740-0554	keforbes2@gmail.com	206 E. Hendrix Street
2028	Raymond Hunt, COA Review	804-396-5578	Rghunt77@gmail.com	603 N. Church Street
2027	Traci Lytle, Fisher Parker Editor	734-756-7250	Tramar63@gmail.com	207 W. Bessemer Avenue
2027	Emily Hinton, Luminaria, Streets and Sidewalks	336-266-2598	emily@lindseyarch.com	212 Florence Street
2027	Stacy Smith, Zoning Review	336-339-4975	eustacia@triad.rr.com	816 Wharton Street
2026	Jed Birch	843-540-9188	jbirch.8@gmail.com	216 Florence St
2026	Rae Cornwell	336-508-1590	Raisin.alton@gmail.com	209 Leftwich Street, Apt. 2
2026	Lovelle Overbey	336-253-6482	Lovelle.overbey@gmail.com	408 Fisher Park Circle
2026	Jim Halsch, Park Committee & Park Master Plan	336-302-3738	jhalsch1@icloud.com	812 Olive Street
Ongoing Support	Greeter, Annik Adamson	703.-629-9093	annikadamson@hotmail.com	211 Isabel Street
Ongoing Support	Ann Stringfield, Historian			

Monthly board meetings are held each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Temple Emanuel basement off Florence Street. Dates: the Monday before the final Wednesday of each month as follows: January 26, February 24, March 23, April 27, May 18, June 22, July 27, August 24, September 28, October 26. Annual meeting Sunday, November 22, 4:00 p.m. All neighbors are welcomed! City Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) Certificates of Appropriateness (CoA) applications are posted on the City HPC web page (https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/departments/planning/boards-commissions-meetings/historic-preservation-commission-hpc) prior to HPC monthly meetings.

Additional Neighborhood Volunteers

Kids' Events	Phoebe Murray & Liddy Stewart	336-402-1439		
Block Captain South Coordinators: Nancy Schmidt/ Jim White		314-941-0319	schmidtwhite@gmail.com	901 Magnolia Street
Block Captain North Coordinator: Rae Cornwell		336-508-1590	raisin.alton@gmail.com	209 Leftwich Street, Apt. #2

Helpful Contacts and Organizations

City Council	April Parker ,City Council District 3	336-373-2489 or april.parker@greensboro-nc.gov
County Commission	Carly Cooke, County Commissioner District 5 Kay Cashion, County Commissioner At Large	336-580-6813 or ccooke@guilfordcountync.gov 336-274-6272 or kcashion@ guilfordcountync.gov
City Contact Center	Greensboro's City Contact Center accepts any city-related inquiry and attempts to direct your call to an appropriate City department or staff	336-373-CITY (336-373-2489)
City Historic District Staff	Historic District Standards, applications for Certificate of Appropriateness (CoA), plus ***free*** design review advice.	336-373-2144 directly or simply call 336-373-CITY (336-373-2489) hdprogram@greensboro-nc.gov
City Zoning Enforcement	Historic Standards enforcement, property owner housing concerns, signage concerns, etc.	336-373-2753 directly or simply call 336-373-CITY (336-373-2489)
City Code Compliance	Rental housing inspections, abandoned vehicles, overgrown property cleanup, and other issues.	336-373-2111 directly or simply call 336-373-CITY (336-373-2489)
Duke Energy	Streetlight outage or electrical power outage.	1-800-POWERON (1-800-769-3766) dukeenergy.com
Police Central Division	Police assistance during emergencies and non-emergencies such as suspicious activities or noise. Online reporting is also available for non-emergencies.	Emergency: 911 Non-emergency: 336-373-2222 https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/residents/online-forms
Community Resource Officer (CRO)	Zenada D. Thorpe, 336-373-2496. Zenada.thorpe@greensboro-nc.gov. For neighborhood assistance in non-emergencies, call 336-373-2222. Nextdoor.com is not routinely monitored by police. To report homeless persons camping in the park: call 911 and ask police to respond with their Behavioral Health Response Team.	
Social Media	**Fisher Park Facebook page:** Visit www.facebook.com/groups/70093789136	
Text Notices Opt-In	Sign up to receive messages and reminders about events, locations, delays, start times, and other crucial news. (1) Send a text to this number: 336-336-203-7773. (2) In the text message, type only the letters FPNA, and use capital letters. (3) Send. You may opt out at any time by replying Stop to any text message received.	