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HVNA ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday

February 24, 2011

7 to 8 PM

**Hope Valley
Country Club**

- **2011 Elections**
- **Updates:**
 - Neighborhood Safety
 - National Register
 - HVNA Events

Special Guest:

**Durham Police
Chief Jose Lopez**

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President's Letter

By: Dan Fulkerson 919.270.0521 / danfulkerson@hvna.org

Hello friends and neighbors,

Spring is just around the corner, and that means HVNA annual meeting time! Please mark your calendars now for the HVNA annual meeting on Thursday, February 24, 2011. The meeting will be held at Hope Valley Country Club and will begin at 7:00 PM. Exhibits open at 6:00, so come early to mingle with your neighbors. We will also have new "Hope Valley" items for sale before and after the meeting. If you haven't done so, this will also give you the chance to pay your annual dues in person. Bring your check books!

I am excited to announce that the board has voted to initiate additional fee-based patrols by the Durham Police Department. These patrols are carried out by police officers in marked cars for a three hour time period within Hope Valley. The patrols will be made at random hours, on random days during the week. We are looking forward to increasing the frequency of the patrols as we feel comfortable allotting the extra dollars needed to fund them. As residents, you can help sponsor these patrols by pledging monies over and above your annual HVNA dues. As a board, we are constantly looking for ways to improve Hope Valley, and make it a safe, inviting place to live.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you at the annual meeting. Enjoy the rest of the winter!

Dan Fulkerson

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HOPE VALLEY
Neighborhood Association

Hope Valley Street Sign and Landscaping Projects

The HVNA continues to repair and replace our iconic Hope Valley street signs. Designs have been completed for all Hope Valley streets. Now is the time to place orders for spring/summer installation. If you have an intersection near your home where an historic street sign would be appropriate, contact us as soon as possible to discuss. We must place orders soon.

We need cedar posts for signs. If you are having tree work done up. Chipped tree material is needed for landscaping around drop off, which should save you the disposal fee. Contact: tadde-



Once again Ann Montgomery Wood (Windsor Way) and her holiday arrangements to decorate the historic Hope Valley street the HVNA wishes to extend a hearty thank you to these two ladies!

and have cedar trees removed please allow us to come pick them Hope Valley, please have your arborist contact us to arrange berry@hvna.org

daughter Chesley Wood Sneed (Windsor Way) created over 50 signs during the holidays. On behalf of the entire neighborhood

Safety Tips for Crime Protection

- Use double cylinder dead bolt locks on doors (that is where it requires a key on both sides) especially on glass doors.
- Make sure all dead bolt locks have 3" screws that go into a stud not just the door frame.
- Keep garage doors closed even during the day.
- Cut back landscaping in front of windows where someone might be able to hide. Do this on each side of the house.
- Set your alarm.
- When traveling have someone pick up papers and mail.
- Roll back trash cans and recycle bins to the house or have a neighbor do it if you are gone. Don't make YOUR house stand out by leaving trash cans/bins on the street. It screams...I'm not at home!
- Use timers on lights in some key rooms of your home. You can change the timers to come on and go off whenever you like and switch it up over holidays... to make it look like you're always home! Cheap and easy to do. Timers can be found at your local hardware store.

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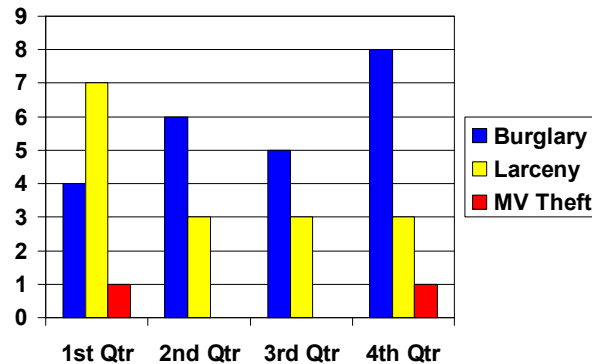
Hope Valley Crime Statistics

Hope Valley residents continue to work to support the Durham Police Department to reduce crime in Hope Valley. Involving our friends in blue whenever we see suspicious activity proves to be the best way to avoid crime.

During calendar year 2011, crimes: 12 in the first quarter, third quarter, and 12 for the we had 54 property crime year 2008. While the fourth highest in recent history, especially, the overall crime incidents 2009.

For the four quarters of the have been committed in our to 22 burglaries in 2009 and 12 in Hope Valley this past year, as 26 in 2008. There were two as compared to none in 2009

**Hope Valley Property Crime
- 2010 Crime Incidents by Quarter -**



there were a total of 41 property 9 in the second quarter, 8 for the fourth quarter. For all of 2009, incidents versus 43 for calendar quarter of 2010 was one of the cially in the number of burglar- for 2010 were down 24% from

2010 calendar year, 23 burglaries neighborhood. This compares in 2008. There were 16 larcenies compared with 31 in 2009 and motor vehicles stolen last year, and four in 2008.

Our friends at the Durham Police Department tell us that the most effective way to prevent crime is for each of us to be observant and to call "911" if we see any suspicious activity. Also, removing the opportunity for criminals, e.g., our houses should be locked and alarms set whenever we leave our homes (even if we are out working in the yard) and of course, our cars should not be left unlocked and all valuables should be stored out of sight.

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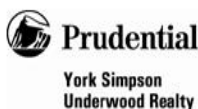
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As always, the Durham police caution our use of the statistics, warning that the statistics only reflect incidents reported, not necessarily crimes committed. Consequently, these numbers are subject to fluctuation as the reports are investigated. The categories used are drawn from the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Handbook. According to the FBI's UCR Handbook (2004), larceny is defined as "The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another." Burglary is defined as "The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft." And motor vehicle theft is defined as "The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle." For additional definitions, please refer to the UCR Handbook available online at: <http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/handbook/>

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Hope Valley Winter Scenes

- Photos by Philip Pieper -



HOA vs. NA: What does that mean?

"What is a Neighborhood Association, what is a Homeowners Association and how are they different?" That is a question we on the HVNA Board are asked frequently.

Wikipedia sorts it out like this:

A **neighborhood association** (NA) is a group of residents or property owners who advocate for or organize activities within a neighborhood. An association may have elected leaders and voluntary dues.

Some neighborhood associations in the United States are incorporated, may be recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization, and may enjoy freedom from taxation from their home state. (The HVNA is a 501(c) 3. Dues and gifts paid to the HVNA are generally tax deductible, consult your tax specialist)

The term neighborhood association is sometimes incorrectly used instead of homeowners association (HOA). Some key differences include:

- HOA membership is mandatory generally through rules tied to the ownership of property like deed restrictions. Neighborhood association membership is voluntary or informal. (Hope Valley's deed restrictions are self enforced.)
- HOAs often own and maintain common property, such as recreational facilities, parks, and roads, whereas neighborhood associations are focused on general advocacy and community events. (The HVNA helps maintain city property within Hope Valley, the Forest Hills NA helps maintain Forest Hills Park, and the Trinity Park NA helps maintain the Trinity Park.)

The rules for formation of a neighborhood association in the United States are sometimes regulated at the city or state level.

Neighborhood associations are more likely to be formed in older, established neighborhoods, whereas HOAs are generally established at the time a residential neighborhood is built and sold.

In some cases, neighborhood associations exist simultaneously with HOAs, and each may not encompass identical boundaries. In one example, newer infill neighborhoods built decades after the original, surrounding HOA-less neighborhood may have its own HOA but also be within the boundaries of a NA (Surrey Green is a good example).

Hope Valley currently has a Neighborhood Association that has a mix of responsibilities, including common area maintenance (in coordination with the

City and local garden clubs), maintaining a community list serv and web site, coordinating crime prevention organizations including a neighborhood watch program, facilitating community events, representing Hope Valley at City Hall, and advocating for our fair share of City tax dollars.

Generally, a strong neighborhood association helps promote property values and resale activity.

Our Association is completely voluntary and depends on your dues and donations to do its work. The Association leadership is all volunteer and is drawn from residents who wish to serve the neighborhood.

If you enjoy the beauty and stability of Hope Valley won't you join the Association by sending your dues of \$25 to PO Box 51338, 27717, or go to hvna.org?

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AIRFLOW IN THE HOME IS LIKE OXYGEN TO THE BODY

It's been a cold, cold winter. If you're finding that your home feels stuffy or clammy, or if common colds now seem like a chronic condition for your family, it might be time to check the airflow in your home.

Think of your home as a system. In this system, the HVAC unit serves as the lungs of the house. To have healthy lungs you want clean, fresh air to be circulated easily through the system. Aside from the obvious health benefits, ensuring free airflow in your home reduces utility bills and saves energy.

Properly sealed ductwork

Most duct systems installed to current building codes still leak almost 30 percent of the air that flows through them. Not only does this affect proper air flow, but it can cause other issues, as well.

First, leaky ducts are inefficient. You are paying to heat and cool air that ends up directly in the attic or crawl space. Leaky ducts can cost you an extra 10 to 20 percent on your heating or cooling bill.

Second, leaky ducts can create unhealthy air in your home by bringing in dust, moisture and debris. This is especially important for small children, elderly and anyone with respiratory sensitivities.

Lastly, leaky ducts can build up negative or positive pressure (depending on where the leaks are); which can cause your house to leak conditioned air to the outside, or suck unconditioned air into your home.

A sufficient-sized air return

Every central heating and air system should have an air return that is large enough for the same volume of air to return as the system puts out. A rule of thumb is 1-square-foot per one ton of your system's size. The system itself works best when the air flows freely from the furthest part of the house.

Many homes aren't designed to allow proper airflow, even when the return opening is large enough. Every interior door in the home should have sufficient space beneath it to allow the return of any volume of air that is dumped into the enclosed room from the HVAC unit.

In some homes, I've seen high pile plush carpet on the floor that sits so high that the air gap beneath the door is almost eliminated. There should be a minimum of one inch of space under each interior door.

Air return shaft accessibility

Wherever the return shaft is located for the HVAC system, you should take care to keep it accessible. Many homeowners place furniture in front of air returns located in walls, forcing the unit to work harder to obtain air. If the sight of the air return shaft offends your interior design sensibilities, most home improvement stores carry a wide selection of cosmetically appealing options for vents.

The importance of the lowly air filter

The air filter is one of the most neglected parts of an HVAC system. Depending on the type of filter you have, you may be able to clean it rather than throwing it away, but the important concept is to keep it clean. A cleaner filter means higher efficiency performance.

Aim to clean or replace your filter every 2 or 3 weeks. This one task can add years to the life of your HVAC appliance. Not sure if you're cleaning your filter often enough? Remove any floor register in your home and turn it over – if there's a large accumulation of dust and debris on the bottom side of the register, you may want to change your filter more often.

Cleaner air means a healthier environment

Think of the airflow to your unit as you do your own breathing. If you can't get enough air, your life will be shortened, but having an abundance of clean air will help to keep you healthier and for a longer duration.

Bobby Ferrel, a resident of Hope Valley, is co-founder of Green Horizon (formerly Sustainable Building Solutions) – a Durham based company offering home owners and builders a one-stop shop for energy efficiency and green building. Services include energy audits, weatherization, insulation, HVAC installation and maintenance, rainwater harvesting and geothermal heating and cooling. GreenHorizon.com



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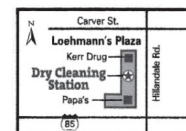
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Hope Valley History

by Dr. Harvey Estes

Many have heard the “story” of Hope Valley: The success of Durham as a manufacturing town, the James B. Duke bequest leading to a new Duke University, the advent of the automobile and “suburban” living, and the dream of two bold entrepreneurs, who saw the potential for a new, planned social and recreational development convenient to Durham, Duke, Chapel Hill and UNC. This audacious project was begun in 1926, and by late 1927 the proposed club house, golf course, streets, lots, etc. were in place, and homes were being built!

The men who conceived and brought this project into being were R. Jesse Mebane, an automobile dealer from Greensboro, and Walter E. Sharpe, a real estate developer from Burlington. Both these men were successful and well established in their own communities. But they dreamed of creating something more: creating a new community, similar to others which had proved successful in Charlotte and Greensboro.

In true entrepreneurial spirit, they invested every- friends to invest with them. Mebane uprooted his into one of the first homes in Hope Valley. His whose land became part of the development. He enlarged it to accommodate his large family. He in its social and recreational activities.



Jesse Mebane

Walter E. Sharpe

thing they had in the new venture, and convinced some family from a comfortable home and moved to Durham, home was originally the home of one of the farmers moved the structure to what is now Chelsea Circle, and became a vital part of the new colony, and was a leader

As with many such ventures, there were more financial demands than the planners anticipated. In addition, there was a significant downturn in the economic health of Durham in 1927. The new land development enterprise was in real economic trouble by late 1927, as the first homes were being completed. Another investor, with deep pockets, was Smith Richardson, heir to the Vick Chemical Co. in Greensboro. He was called upon to bail out the venture, but the original investors were forced into bankruptcy and the assets of Mebane and Sharpe, Inc. were acquired by the Richardson Realty Company, at about the time of the “real” depression in 1929. The new developer held the project together until the economic recovery accompanying World War II.

We credit Mebane and Sharpe for conceiving and starting Hope Valley, yet we seldom consider the price they paid for implementing their dream. Both men were forced to sell their homes and start anew. Mebane moved to Greensboro, and took a sales position with American Enka Corporation. He remained there for about ten years and then moved to Beaufort, NC. He died of a stroke in 1955, while visiting his daughter in Oxford, NC. His ashes are buried in the family burial plot in Greensboro. Walter Sharpe moved to Roanoke, VA, where he started an insurance business. He died there and was buried in Chapel Hill.



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