
ECHO

EAST CENTRAL HOMEOWNERS' ORGANIZATION
NUMBER 24 NEWSLETTER

JULY 2011

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT - TUESDAY 2ND AUGUST, 6PM - 9PM

Join ECHO and CUMC (Community United Methodist Church) to
Celebrate National Night Out with a block party on Center Street!

The City of Naperville will be joining the fun by visiting the block party throughout the night with various **equipment, fire trucks and police cars**, etc. Also, for the kids, there will be an **inflatable water slide**, a small **bouncer** for the little ones and a large one for the big kids (that doesn't include a parent)!

For the adults, and those who like to bake, we will be having a **cookie bake off** - bring your best home made cookies (any type/please bring two dozen) and there will be a judging of the best. you do want the bragging rights for having baked the best cookie in the neighborhood, right??

And of course, there will be **ice cream** and **beverages** to go with those cookies!

We even have a band-"THE BAD NEIGHBORS"-for entertainment!

We'll also be collecting donations for Loaves & Fishes - be generous & help those in need.

Some of the items that are most in need right now are:

canned meat - tuna/chicken/turkey/small size SPAM, canned Spaghetti O's, Chef Boyardi ravioli, etc, canned chili, breakfast cereal (hot and cold), jelly, canned tomato products (sauce, stewed, diced, paste, etc.), canned mixed vegetables, canned fruit, pasta, pasta sauce, macaroni and cheese, boxed potatoes, chicken soups, creamed soups, denture cleanser, juice and juice boxes (100%), granola bars (used for our school-age children's nutrition program), rice, flour / sugar, vegetable oil, peanut butter, decaffeinated coffee (4 oz. jars), condiments, toilet paper - 4 packs tissue paper, kleenex, paper towels, feminine hygiene - maxi pads, health & beauty aids, razors / shaving cream, shampoo & conditioner, toothpaste / mouthwash / dental floss, diapers - sizes 5, 6 and pull-ups, baby wipes, Depends (protective underwear, size SM and M, pull-ups - no tabs), dish soap, disinfectant wipes

Visit <http://www.loaves-fishes.org/mostneededitems.html> for more info

MORE TOPICS/NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS INSIDE...

ECHO PICNIC - SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER (RAIN DATE 9/17)

Are you looking for neighborhood children to play with your own kids? Is there someone local who looks/sounds interesting you think you might want to get to know? A new resident you've been planning to meet? Or are you finally going to reconnect with the friend 2 blocks over that you joked with/walked with/biked with routinely before you both got so busy?

Do you have a cool canine or other sociable pet?

Invite all your neighbors—ECHO members or not—and then join all those neighbors for the traditional ECHO Area-Wide Picnic on Saturday, September 10, at 3:30 PM-7:30 PM.

As in past years, the picnic will be held on the west lawn of Little Friends
(Wright Street, between Franklin and School).

There will be BBQ items provided: hamburgers, veggie burgers and hot dogs.

Even numbered addresses bring a side dish.

Odd numbered addresses should bring a dessert!

As always, BYOB!

**Remember, all residents of the East Central neighborhood are invited -
you don't have to be an ECHO member!**

Let's hope for another beautiful day!

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Membership

Wondering what ECHO does for the neighborhood?

- We serve you, the residents, by keeping abreast of activities that may impact the neighborhood, from actions by the city council to changes in historic preservation ordinances.
- We represent neighborhood concerns raised by residents on issues such as code enforcement, new development, COA's, traffic studies, etc.
- We communicate news relevant to the neighborhood through newsletters such as this, with email notifications and the website, and
- We coordinate social events throughout the year (Neighborhood Garage Sale, National Night Out, The Annual Picnic, Winter Events, etc.).

- We have great relationships with the City of Naperville, the team at Naper Settlement, North Central College and surrounding neighborhood leaders.
- We strive to make this neighborhood the best in Naperville.

Anything which can positively or negatively impact the neighborhood - we are here to support you. We can help you make the right connections to address your concerns, or help you with a house project. All these activities are supported by being a member -

SIGN UP AT NATIONAL NIGHT OUT ON AUGUST 2ND !!!

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Neighborhood Services

Looking for some work to be done? Don't forget ECHO maintains a list of resident recommended companies at <http://www.naperville-echo.org/NeighborServices.html> - let us know if you have really good service from a company and we'll add them to the list. Right now there are 15 companies on the list – let's increase the size of that list and bring the best to the neighborhood!

Naperville Smart Grid Initiative (NSGI)

Be informed:

The NSGI gives residential and business customers more choices about how they use electricity and more control over what they pay for it.

Naperville electric utility customers can read more about their rights in the Smart Grid Customer Bill of Rights. The text of the Customer Bill of Rights Ordinance as approved by the Naperville City Council is available at http://www.naperville.il.us/dynamic_content.aspx?id=21276 for more info.

The City of Naperville offers lots of information about the program at <http://www.naperville.il.us/smartgrid.aspx>

- Also know that not everyone is in favor of the NSGI - Visit <http://www.napervillesmartmeterawareness.org/> for some competing views on the value of NSGI.

Get informed!



👁 Neighborhood Stories ???

Have a story to share? Email it to board@naperville-echo.org and we'll print it in the next newsletter!



ECHO EVENTS CALENDAR 2011

July	Aug ☾ T 8/2 Nat'l Night Out	Sept ☺ S 9/10 (9/17 rain) ECHO PICNIC	Oct	Nov	Dec S 12/3 ❄ ECHO HOLIDAY EVENT
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ECHO Membership Form

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Other Phone (optional) _____

Email _____ (To be used exclusively for ECHO business)

Dues are \$20 per household *per calendar year*. Dues for 2011 may be paid any time after September 1. Please list both heads of household under NAME(S) if applicable. Return the completed form with a \$20 check (payable to ECHO) to Tim Messer, Treasurer, 6 N. Huffman St., Naperville, IL 60540.

Your record of ECHO Membership:

Date Paid _____ For Membership Year _____ Amount _____ \$ 20.00

Check Number _____ Notes _____