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As you make your 2012 New Year's resolutions, we hope that one of them is to become more active in the Walnut Bend Civic Association.

The WBCA is YOUR neighborhood association. The WBCA Board of Directors is made up of your neighbors, all volunteers, who have an interest in preserving the integrity of our neighborhood.

The WBCA has represented our neighborhood in many areas of interest over the years. We have fought or supported zoning issues, worked with NOPD on crime and quality of life issues, worked with our City Council Member, State Representative, and Senator on issues relating to Walnut Bend. The

WBCA voices the concerns of the neighborhood to those in positions to offer assistance.

The cost of joining or maintaining a WBCA membership is only \$25 per year. Your membership dues go to maintaining the two Walnut Bend signs and plants on Holiday Drive. We also use the money to print the newsletter, host activities like the National Night Out Against Crime and various other miscellaneous expenses in support of maintaining our neighborhood.

Attend the WBCA meetings and discuss your concerns and determine how they can be resolved.

Your active participation will help to maintain the peace, beauty, and integrity of our neighborhood.

**Here's to a great 2012!**



Are you a natural leader? Are you full of ideas? Do you like being part of a team? Do you like to make things happen? Do you have an expertise that would benefit your community? Can you spare 2-3 hours a month to help your neighborhood? Are you a writer? Do you have a green thumb? Do you have a desire to make a difference? If you posses any of these qualities, we need you!

We currently have openings for volunteer WBCA board and committee positions.

- Board Officer
- Membership/Social Cmte
- Night Out Against Crime Cmte
- Beautification Committee
- Neighborhood Watch
- Newsletter Distributor

If you are interested in any of these positions, contact Yvonne at [yvonnemg@aol.com](mailto:yvonnemg@aol.com).

## WBCA JANUARY GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, January 17, 2012 7:00 p.m.

Oak Park Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1110 Kabel Drive

**DISCUSSION FOCUS: Focus for 2012 and Election of Officers**

### Your input is needed!

At our November 2011 meeting, it was decided to defer election of officers until January. We also decided that it is important to determine the focus that Walnut Bend residents would like for our

association to pursue in 2012.

In order to properly reflect the needs of our neighborhood, we need your participation and input at this meeting.

If you can't attend, feel free to contact any of our officers and directors to make

your concerns known.


We look forward to seeing you. Please consider serving as an officer or member of our board of directors.

**Cookie Social at 6:45 p.m.**



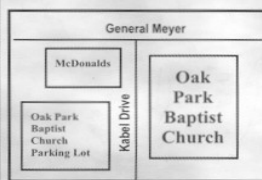
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1/4 page	\$25.00
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One free issue of advertisement is given to those who pay for yearly publication. An additional **10% discount** is given to **Walnut Bend residents** who pay for yearly advertising. Payment must accompany the ad request.

Contact **Natasha Anthony Wells** at  
natashaw@vzw.blackberry.net to place an ad.

*To share good news / graduations, retirements, etc. with your neighbors, send the info to yvonnemg@aol.com*

## Imagine...

reaching heights no one ever expected.



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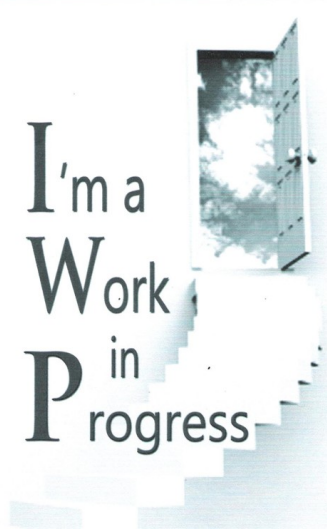
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**It pays to be a member!**

Night Out Against  
Crime Winner  
Swaim Blackenmore

Le Pavillon Hotel  
Gift Certificate for  
Lunch for Two

(Thank you to Barry  
LaFrance, WB resi-  
dent, for obtaining the  
certificate.)



**December Garden of the Month**

Congratulations to Lisa Baldwin, 2500 Valentine Ct.



To nominate your neighbor's garden or your own  
contact Anne Brown at [gabrown@bellsouth.net](mailto:gabrown@bellsouth.net).

**Be a SAINT  and pay your dues.**

Become a paid member of the Walnut Bend Civic Association (WBCA) team. Your membership dues help defray the cost of the WBCA Newsletter, Night Out Against Crime (food, drinks, kids activities), Easter Egg Hunt, Nomtac Parade Kickoff, and maintaining the subdivision entrances .

**2011 Stats**

Street Paid Members

**Super Bowl**

***Prancer 24 (Winner)***

Valentine Ct 18


**Playoffs**

St. Nick 16

Holiday Dr. 8

Beck 7

Easter Ln. 5

**Didn't make the playoffs** 

Comet, Copernicus, Cupid, Fiesta, Vixen, Mediamolle, Gallingshouse, MacArthur, and General Meyer.



**Information from the  
Nuisance and Complaints  
Committee**

The Walnut Bend Civic Association has heard from residents regarding property use, property upkeep and general "neighborliness. So all residents will be familiar with these areas, we are summarizing some common city regulations and suggestions for neighborly consideration. Feel free to contact Shelia Green or any member of the board with specific complaints.

**Fences, Hedges, Walls:** They are limited to a height of 7 feet and none may be within 20 feet of any street intersection.

**Boats & Trailers:** May not be stored in front yards.

**Accessory Buildings:** No accessory building may be less than 3 feet from a side lot line not less than 40 feet from a front property line. This includes carports. A carport attached to a house must be open on the side nearest to the side lot line and open on the front. A detached carport must be open on the front and on both

sides. Any part of a carport projection (such as a roof) must be at least 2 feet from the property line.

**Swimming Pools:** Any swimming pool in a back or side yard must be at least 4 feet from the back or side property line. The pool must be surrounded by a fence that is approved by the Director of Safety and Permits. A walk space at least 3 feet wide must be provided on two sides of the pool or on 50% of the exterior of the pool, whichever is greater.

**Building Changes:** You must have a BUILDING PERMIT for most types of building alterations, additions or repairs. If you are in doubt about needing a permit, it is your responsibility to consult the proper agency. A building permit placard must be displayed prominently and it must be up-to-date. (A permit expires, for instance, if work does not commence within 6 months of issuance of the permit or if work is discontinued for 6 months. A new permit then must be applied for.)

It is the duty of the Police to see that work requiring a permit is authorized, and

it is their duty to report the absence of a permit to the proper authority.

Any permit obtained under misrepresentation (cost, plans, etc.) constitutes fraud. Any work done contrary to the permit issued shall be stopped. When work is not in accordance with the permit, the work shall be corrected.

**Walnut Bend Zoning:** Walnut Bend is a Single Family Residential District. Any other use of the residential dwellings is a violation of the zoning code.

**Basketball Goals:** between the sidewalk and the curb are illegal.

**Animals:** If you have animals, you are required to keep their living quarters and the yard cleaned of all waste materials and other offensive materials. You are not allowed to keep any wild, exotic, or vicious animals as pets.

Additional information will be published in the next newsletter.

