

Camden Park  
**NEWS & VIEWS**

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For Camden Park News & Information



From the Camden  
Board President,  
Dan Freehling

I'm very pleased to welcome you to the inaugural issue of our newsletter, *Camden News & Views*.

This newsletter and other messages we'll send are part of our efforts to enhance communication between the Camden Board of Directors and Camden neighbors.

With this new communication method, you won't need to sign on to another website or app. You also won't need a log in or password- simply open your email and point and click.

**To make sure you receive messages directly to your inbox, add [CamdenPark.News.Info@gmail.com](mailto:CamdenPark.News.Info@gmail.com) to your list of email contacts.**

About once a month (more frequently when time-sensitive matters arise such as the unscheduled closing of the mail kiosk!), you'll receive an email. Embedded within each message will be links to items including the newsletter, an updated Camden Welcome Book, architectural and landscaping request forms, and monthly board minutes. (Those links are at the bottom of this newsletter.)

Just remember that these emails will be **our primary method of communications** from now on.

A final, but important note: A special thanks to our Camden neighbors Janine Griffin and Connie McCraw for their efforts in getting this program established and for developing this new newsletter and a logo for Camden Park. Janine and Connie, kudos to you and an enormous thank you for your efforts and expertise.

Let me know how we're doing by [sending me an email](#).

--Dan F.

## When The Flowers Fade: All About Yard and Garden Debris

By *Larry Newlin, Landscaping Chair*

Camden Park neighbors pride themselves on their gardens, but when our beautiful flowers fade, they need to be disposed of properly.

Bag your garden debris in reusable garbage cans with a lid or large paper yard waste bags, not plastic bags. Bundle shrub or tree limbs cut to five-foot lengths and tie them securely with string. If you don't use fall leaves for mulch, put them in your debris bag.

Put your yard debris in your back row, clearly visible to the Bland Landscaping crew, but not obstructing traffic, no later than 7 am on the **first and third Wednesdays of each month**. If there's a change in the schedule because of a holiday, we'll let you know.

Please don't put your yard debris out prior to Tuesday afternoon. If you don't have room to store your waste in the garage, make sure it's out of sight for your neighbors.

Be mindful that your neighbors also may be putting out garden waste on any given collection date. Occasionally, if there's a lot of debris in the neighborhood to collect, the collection will spill over to the next day.



(photo by AB Bartlett)

### What is yard waste?

Yard and garden debris is defined as biodegradable plant material generated by routine homeowner maintenance.

It doesn't include rocks, soil, or construction materials such as brick or concrete. If you have those materials, it's your responsibility or your contractor's responsibility to haul them away.

Yard debris is recycled into compost, and the machinery can become clogged if inappropriate material is shredded.

### Need help weeding or landscaping?

Check out the [Landscaping & Yard Services](#) section of the Fearington Cares Vendor List. Only vendors who have been referred by Village residents are on this list, and vendors do not pay to be listed. Neither Fearington Cares nor the Camden Park Board of Directors recommends specific vendors.

### [Landscaping Modification Request Form](#)

### Questions?

Send [Larry Newlin](#) an email.

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## Streets, Sidewalks, and Rows: And More!

By *Lee Grier, Streets, Utilities, and Facilities Chair*

As a part of our regularly scheduled work on the rows, Middle Avery Row will be resurfaced the end of July. Those who live on that row know that the preparation work was completed in June. However, the timing of the resurfacing depends upon Raleigh Paving's schedule and, of course, the weather. We'll let everyone know the exact start date as soon as we hear from Raleigh Paving.

We've scheduled repairs on the brick steps at 36 McDowell. Until those repairs are



(photo by Frank Griffin)

### Wondering About Gazebos?

As a part of our regular maintenance on the Yancey and Caldwell gazebos, we're having the cedar shake roofs evaluated for needed repairs or replacement.

### A Word of Thanks Goes a Long Way

completed, **please do not use those steps.** We've marked them off with warning tape as a reminder.

Sidewalk work continues throughout the Camdens, as we replace uneven concrete with brick pavers. All of the East Camden sidewalk projects scheduled for 2022 are done. We've repaired sidewalks at 14 addresses. The sidewalk projects in South Camden along Bladen are also complete. In West Camden, we've finished repairs at 10 addresses, with three outstanding.

In addition, we hope to complete three additional handicap ramps along East and West Madison before the end of the year.

If you're out walking and see our mason, James Taylor, please thank him and his crew for all their hard work on our sidewalks, walkways, and ramps.

### Questions?

Send [Lee Grier](#) an email.

## Thinking About Exterior Renovations?

*By Judy Thomas, Architectural Covenants Chair*

As hot, humid summer weather gives way to cooler temperatures, our renewed energy often kindles plans for home improvement.

Before you seek approval for exterior modification, read pages 23-34 of the Camden Welcome Book for specific criteria the covenants and architectural committee will use to evaluate your application.

For example, you'll need approval to replace your roof, although that request doesn't require your neighbors' signatures.

You don't need approval to repaint exterior doors or shutters, as long as you use the original colors.

Want to install solar panels? Add a storm door? Install gutters? Complete an architectural modification request form. We'll review your request quickly.



*(photo by AB Bartlett)*

### [Architecture Modification Request Form](#)

Complete this form if you plan modifications to the exterior of your home. Be sure to consult the Camden Welcome Book for details.

### Questions?

Send [Judy Thomas](#) an email.

## Meet the Camden Board of Directors

*Left to right:* Larry Newlin (landscaping), Judy Thomas (architectural covenants), Lee Grier (streets, utilities, and facilities), Dan Freehling (president).  
*Front:* Doug Lamm (secretary-treasurer).

### Important Links:

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