



NEWSLETTER

Spring 2020

EARLEWOOD'S RESPONSE TO THE PANDEMIC

Through this pandemic my beliefs have been confirmed once again, Earlewood is a wonderful neighborhood with the most caring and compassionate people. We've all had our world turned upside down these last two months and we're figuring out how to get through this together. We have many heroes living in our neighborhood—nurses, doctors, first responders, etc. And with this new coronavirus we need to recognize our new heroes—grocery store employees, food service cooks and delivery drivers, pharmaceutical retail workers, etc. This “new normal” has been made a little easier by some extraordinary people and their great ideas. Although we're separated from each other while social distancing ourselves, here are some examples of creativity and togetherness:



Earlewood has over 50 homes where stuffed animals have been placed in windows for the children (and adults) to participate in a huge “Stuffed Animal Hunt”. We were also recognized by COLAtoday and made their website.



Chalk messages are being written on sidewalks and people's driveways offering sweet messages and whimsical drawings.

We've also done things to feel like we are in this together like decorating our porches with lights to bring joy to our neighbors and those who go to work at night. In March **Robert Manly Harrison** had a great idea to decorate with lights and he inspired many others too.



There are also kind neighbors like **Sue Jane Shipes** and **David Johnson** who brought joy to their neighbors with Easter gift bags on Clark Street.



And **Rachel Scarlett** painted rocks like Easter eggs and hid them along Earlewood, Northwood and Lakewood.

I'm sure there are others, but I know **Julie Prater**, **Kathleen McDaniel**, **Abby McDowell** and **Elena Bates** have been sewing masks for healthcare workers. Their masks have gone to the Presbyterian Home, Lexington Medical Center, and Tideland in Georgetown.



Although the event was ongoing when the newsletter was submitted for printing, ECCO's Harvest Hope Food Bank Donation Drive had raised over \$2500 and 30 lbs of food. Thanks to our awesome neighbors for being so generous!

All of these inspirational stories and people have made me so grateful to live in Earlewood and I am sure you all feel the same.

Lastly, if you know of any neighbors in need, please call Jennifer McBroom at 803-397-5021, we have lots of volunteers ready to help. We are all in this together and we are #earlewoodstrong.

Jennifer McBroom, ECCO President

— COMMUNITY EVENTS —

PORCH PARTY

Due to the impact of the coronavirus, we are postponing the first Porch Party of 2020 until June (date TBD). We will have an old fashioned BLOCK PARTY with the road blocked off in the 3100 block of Lakewood Avenue.

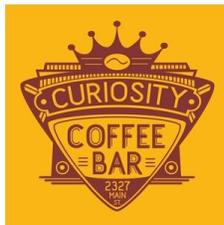
QUARTERLY MEETING

Due to the impact of the coronavirus, we canceled our ECCO Quarterly Meeting in April but hope to have one in July.

Because things are subject to change with all events, please look for additional information in future e-mails and social media posts. (If you haven't signed up to receive e-mails, please go to www.earlewood.org to do so.)

Thank you ECCO Business Partners for supporting Earlewood!

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Want to be more involved with ECCO?

2020 is an election year and ECCO Members will vote people into the following Executive Council positions: **President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Member-At-Large.**

These positions run on a two-year term and elections will be held at the October Quarterly Meeting. Details about each position can be found in the ECCO by-laws on our website www.earlewood.org

We also welcome new volunteers to help out with committees or events such as Yard of the Month, Communications, the Big Flea, Thanksgiving Dinner, and EarleJam.

Congratulations Yard of the Month Winners!

**March — 1326 Northwood Street
April — 2923 Park Street**

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