

BECTON PARK BULLETIN

Lynton Place Established: 1985

Newsletter Date: Fall 2022

Neighborhood Vision:

Becton Park is a diverse, beautiful and friendly community with a focus on consistent improvement and development in cooperation with Lynton Place.

Neighborhood Grant Awarded to Becton Pk



We told you about the neighborhood matching grant. You pledged your hours for the grant. The application was submitted for the grant. Friday, October 4, 2022, the City of Charlotte grant committee meets to decide the grant awardees. Board members presented our project to the award committee. The committee listened to our presentation, heard our cry and decided to award us with a \$25,000 grant!!!!. We hope that you are pleased to hear this great news!

Now we can start the events to earn the volunteer hours toward the grant. Next Saturday will be the first grant activity for this grant period. Join us in the clubhouse for a casino/game night. Besides the fun and games enjoy some great snacks and a fall drink.

2022 Homeowner Meeting Schedule

April 23, 2022
September 24, 2022
At 1:00pm

December is the Becton Park annual meeting and election. The annual meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 14, 2022 at 6:30pm

As homeowners in Becton Park, we are also members of the Lynton Place HOA.

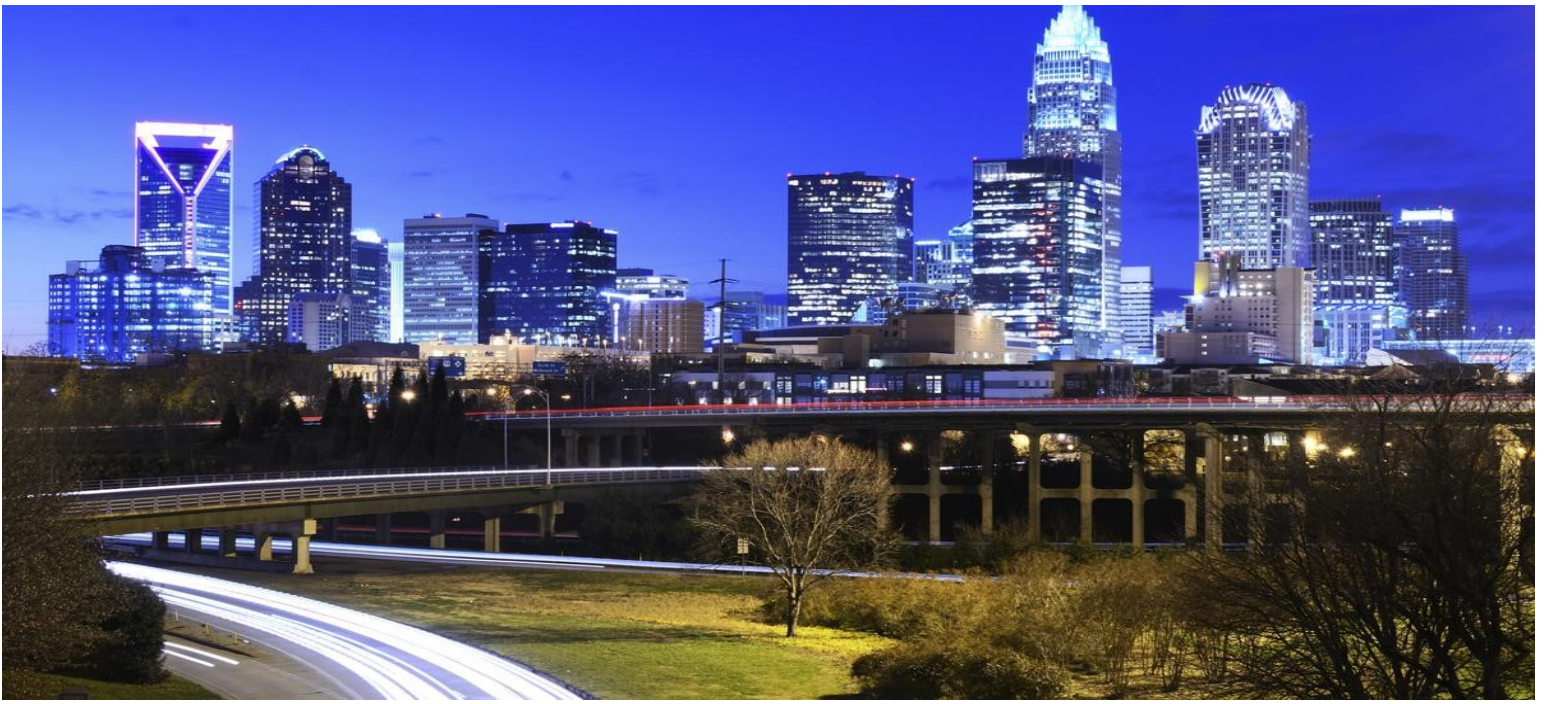
The Lynton Place annual meeting and election is in May.

It Is Important To Vote

Thursday, October 20, 2022, begins the 17-day one-stop early voting period for the 2022 statewide general election. The in-person early voting period ends at 3 p.m. Saturday, November 5, 2022. During the early voting period, voters may cast a ballot at any one-stop site

in their county. Eligible individuals may register and vote at the same time. As they become available, early voting sites and schedules, by county, will be posted at the One-Stop Early Voting Site Search. Go Vote!!!





2022-2023 Becton Park Grant Events

Becton Park has been awarded another grant to repair a house exterior. Come and have fun at our events. Everyone including renters, residents homeowners, and friends are welcome to attend. Please note that events are subject to change.

Event Name	Date	Time
Casino night	November 12, 2022	3:00pm - 5:00pm
Crafting event/Pamper me event	December 3, 2022	
Wine tasting	January 14, 2023	
Pure Romance Party	February 11, 2023	
Money Saving Tips	March 4, 2023	
English Tea Party	April 8, 2023	

FREE EVENT



CHARLOTTE
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This is a community event to support the Becton Park neighborhood matching grant.

Join us on

Saturday, November 12, 2022

3:00pm - 5:00pm

Lynton Place clubhouse

Becton Park is hosting a fun game event. You are invited to the Lynton Place clubhouse for this event.

Join us as we offer Roulette, Craps and Black Jack. Additional games will also be available. We will also have ping pong, axe throwing and giant Jenga. Two new games (air hockey and connect four) are also available. Join us for some snacks and a drink (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) options will be available. Play, earn more poker chips and buy something from the casino night “store”.



Casino Night Poker Chip Coupon

Redeem this coupon for

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Benefits of Installing a Storm Door

If your home's comfort and safety are some of your top priorities, a storm door might be the perfect addition to your entryway. A storm door provides an outer layer of protection to your existing entry door. Storm doors are commonly installed to allow extra light and ventilation into your house. They also fight against harsh weather and bugs, plus they can help keep your pets inside the home. Although they are sometimes used interchangeably with screen doors, storm doors include a glass panel and a latching or locking handle set for additional protection.

1. Protects Against the Elements

One of the main reasons for installing a door is to keep rain, ice, and snow from damaging your front door. Storm doors can also guard against water damage to your home in the event of flooding.

2. Keeps Bugs Out

If you want the feel of an open door without inviting in bugs or mosquitos, then a storm door is a great option. You can keep your front door open and let cool air in without having to worry about unwelcome critters.

3. Adds an Extra Layer of Security

Think of a storm door as an extra layer of protection against burglars. All storm doors come with their own lockset and glass, making it more difficult for intruders to come in.

4. Improves Energy Efficiency

When your home is properly sealed, your cooling and heating systems don't have to work as hard to regulate the internal temperature. A storm door helps keep your home energy efficient, which saves you money on utility bills in the long run.

5. Reduces Noise

Since they're made up of three solid layers, storm doors create a barrier that reduces the amount of noise entering your home, such as traffic, trash collection, and even construction.

6. Lets Natural Light In

Installing a storm door can immediately brighten up your hallway entrance. Your kids and pets can roam freely and enjoy the natural sunlight without the risk of running out the door.

7. Provides Extra Insulation

Over the course of several years, door materials age and start to allow air to pass through. Storm doors create a barrier that traps air from leaving or entering the home. They also extend the life of your front door by protecting it from the intensity of the sun or the cold.

8. Better Ventilation

Since they have retractable screen panels, storm doors can provide an excellent source of air circulation. If you have a house with few windows, this can be the perfect solution for getting more air flowing through your home.

Becton Park Covenant Review - Parking

Each unit has a one-car garage and driveway with a minimum of two (2) parking spaces. The Board of Directors has given the management company authority to tow, at the owner's expense, cars or other vehicles improperly parked. Spaces are reserved for the parking of automobiles or passenger trucks only.

No campers, trucks, vans or recreational vehicles may be parked or kept within the properties except within garages. No trailers, boats, or tractors may



No parking on the street or lawns

be parked or kept within the properties except within enclosed garages. The following vehicles may not be parked overnight in Becton Park and are permitted only for the conduct of business (e.g., home repairs and installations, etc.). Vehicles with commercial license plates, vehicles over 10,000 pounds and vehicles with commercial equipment, supplies or ladders that can be seen. These vehicles may not be parked overnight. All vehicles must be properly licensed and have all tires inflated. No inoperable or wrecked vehicles should be parked in Becton Park.

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Crafting / Pamper Me Event

This is a community event to support the Becton Park neighborhood matching grant.

Join us on

Saturday, December 3, 2022

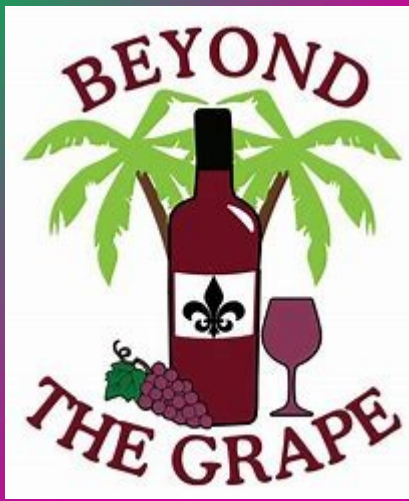
3:00pm - 5:00pm

Lynton Place clubhouse



The holidays are a stressful time. Because we care, Becton Park is hosting a special event to help you get through it. You are invited to the Lynton Place clubhouse for a crafting event that can take care of you. Join us as we work on a no sew blanket that you can use or give this as a gift. Take advantage of some aromatherapy and soft skin after making a jar of sugar scrub with your preferred scent. To alleviate sore muscles, make a heating pad with a soothing fragrance. To improve your food we are also making a compound butter. There may be a special benefit for attending. We look forward to seeing you there.





FREE EVENT

Wine, Grapes & Cheese, Oh My!

This is a community event to support the Becton Park neighborhood matching grant.

Saturday, January 14, 2023

Time: 3:00pm—5:00pm

Lynton Place clubhouse



Wine tasting is the sensory examination and evaluation of wine. While the practice of wine tasting is as ancient as its production, a more formalized methodology has slowly become established from the 14th century onwards. Modern, professional wine tasters use a constantly evolving specialized terminology which is used to describe the range of perceived flavors, aromas and general characteristics of a wine. More informal, recreational tasting may use similar terminology, usually involving a much less analytical process for a more general, personal appreciation.



Blah, blah, blah. We are bring on the wine and pair it with something great. Plan to have fun, enjoy some tasty treats and most importantly.....THE WINE!

Of course you must of drinking age to participate.

What Can and Cannot Go in Your Garbage Disposal?

Though garbage disposals have awesome horsepower and sharp blades. Knowing the garbage disposal dos and don'ts goes a long way in keeping your appliance from getting clogged or breaking.

What Not to Put in a Garbage Disposal:

- **Coffee grounds.** Coffee grounds can clump together into a thick mass that will clog your food disposal and won't allow your sink to drain.
- **Meat.** Does your garbage disposal stink? It might be because you're putting meat into it. You should never put meat into a food disposal sink. It can stick to the interior of the machine, rot, and cause a stench. Always throw meat remnants and bones in the trash.
- **Starchy foods.** Putting bread, oatmeal, pasta, and rice in your garbage disposal is a bad idea. These foods expand when wet, which can form a gelatinous paste in your drain and block up your sink.
- **Shells, nuts, and vegetable peels.** The shells of seafood and other crustaceans are also things not to put in a garbage disposal. The little bits can dull the blades and clog the machinery, causing the food disposal to malfunction. You should also avoid eggshells, nuts, vegetable peels, fruit cores and pits, and corn husks and cobs.
- **Grease, oil, or cooking fat.** These materials should never go into your plumbing, whether you have a garbage disposal or not. It can solidify and cause a whole mess that an expensive plumber will have to sort out.
- **Fibrous foods.** Some examples of fibrous vegetables that can't be ground up include pumpkin, celery, kale, lettuce, chard, artichokes, asparagus, and rhubarb. Their stringy materials

can tangle up inside the unit and jam it. If that happens, you'll need to **unclog your garbage disposal**.

- **Non-food items.** We've all experienced flipping the switch and hearing the grinding of a fork or spoon we missed. It can also be easy for a stray napkin or food wrapper to sneak its way into your sink food processor. Try to remember to do a quick check before turning on the appliance.
- **Caustic cleaning chemicals.** Avoid harsh chemicals like drain cleaner and bleach. Instead, use natural deodorants for your garbage disposal - like baking soda, vinegar or lemon juice, and dish soap

What Can You Put Down a Garbage Disposal?

- **Soft or liquid foods.** A general rule to keep in mind is that if you can feed it to your baby, you can put it down your garbage disposal. Many solid foods, such as vegetables (without peels) or fruits, can also go into the appliance. Chop them up first, so they don't strain the unit.
- **Ice.** Throw some ice cubes in along with your food waste and grind them up. They'll help loosen the food residue that is stuck to the blades.
- **Citrus fruits.** Keep a bag of orange, lemon, or other citrus peels in the freezer and toss some in when you need to freshen up your garbage disposal. Make sure to cut them up in bite-sized chunks, so you don't overwork the machine.

For proper garbage disposal maintenance, you should also always run cold water through your food disposal appliance while it is in use and for 30 seconds after it has finished grinding food. This helps ensure that all food bits wash down the drain and none remain in your disposal.

4 Things to Do with All Those Fall Leaves

Yes, you can bag them up and put them out on the curb. But if you're looking to get more creative with your crop of fallen leaves this autumn, you have a few sustainable, useful options. Check out these tips:

1. **Make compost** Did you know that the leaves from one large shade tree can pack as many nutrients as \$50 worth of plant food? To make sure your leaves break down efficiently, consider adding a compost component with high levels of nitrogen
2. **Use them as mulch** Remember to shred leaves before mulching—unshredded leaves make it difficult for water to permeate the soil. Fortunately, you don't need a shredder to do the job. Just shred what's already on your grass when you mow your lawn
3. **Get crafty** Decorate a fall wreath with pinecones, mums, and dried leaves, or use leaves as templates for note cards or decorative stencils. You can also press a dried leaf between two panes of glass for a simple, elegant piece of art.
4. **Make a leaf pile** Can't see your grass under all those leaves? Leaf raking is a great—and fun—autumn job for the kids. Fall fun at its finest.

FREE EVENT



Pure Romance Party

This is a community event to support the Becton Park neighborhood matching grant.

Join us on

Saturday, February 11, 2023

3:00pm - 5:00pm

Lynton Place clubhouse



Join us in the clubhouse for the third annual **ladies only** event!!! This is your chance to

take charge of your love life. Get the tools to set the mood and bring back the romance! Learn about the latest Pure Romance items and products.

Ladies, this is going to be fun!! We will have raffles, freebies, games, snacks and a chance to purchase your favorite Pure Romance items.

Take your purchase home and try them out that night! Oh my!!



We better keep this with the adult ladies only.



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Contact the property management company for any community problems including parking issues, water line breaks, etc. In case of emergency, call the customer service number at 704- 535-1122 and follow the prompts to report an emergency.

Check out the community website at

[Www.Lyntonplacecommunity.com](http://www.Lyntonplacecommunity.com)

Fall Maintenance Checklist

Before the weather grows colder it's important to prepare for the winter months to prevent costly damage. Below are the fall preventative home maintenance steps that every homeowner should follow.

Gutters and Downspouts

- Clean gutters and downspouts frequently throughout fall to prevent build up of leaves and other debris. Neglected gutters can lead to wood rot problems and pest infestations, not to mention ruined gutters.
- Be sure water is not coming down behind gutters and that all support brackets are securely in place.
- Ensure that water drains properly and doesn't pool. Pooling can cause damage to foundations, driveways, and walkways.



storm windows and doors.

- Inspect and repair any loose or damaged window or door frames.
- Install weather stripping or caulking around windows and doors to prevent drafts and to lower heating bills.

Heating Systems

- Replace the filter in your furnace.
- Consider having a heating professional check your heating system to ensure optimal performance and discover minor problems before they turn into costly major repairs.
- Clean your ducts to better your heating system's efficiency as well as to reduce household dust and to provide relief to those with respiratory problems.

Windows and Doors

- Change summer screens to cool weather

Plumbing

- To prevent pipes freezing and bursting, ensure that the pipes are well insulated.
- Know how to locate and turn off the water shut-off valve in case pipes do freeze.

FREE EVENT



Money Saving Tips and Tricks

This is a community event to support the Becton Park neighborhood matching grant.

Saturday, March 4, 2023

Time: 3:00pm—5:00pm

Lynton Place clubhouse

Stop me if you've ever been in this situation before... wondering **how to save money**?

You're at the kitchen table with a stack of bills next to you, armed nothing with a pen and a calculator, you attempt to make sense out of last month's finances. Much to your chagrin though, you find out that after taking all the expenses into account, you're not left with much money.

You need to learn **how to save money**—more money so that you're actually feeling the impact in your bank account.

So, you pull out that expenses spreadsheet again and start seeing where you can start cutting costs and begin looking for clever ways to save money in your budget each month.

Well, first and foremost... know that you're not alone. This situation of needing to learn how to save money, is one that millions of people around the world find themselves in every single day.

You can start by attending our event. Learn numerous ways to save money and put the savings in the bank.



FREE EVENT



Becton Park English Tea Party

This is a community event to support the Becton Park neighborhood matching grant.

Saturday, April 8, 2023

Time: 3:00pm—5:00pm

Lynton Place clubhouse

Join us for our third annual Becton Park tea party. Yes, we are having a 'real' formal tea party. We aren't eating on paper, plastic or melamine plates. You are too good for plastic forks and knives. Ladies and gents, we are having a tea party fit for a *queen* or a Lord from *Bridgerton*. That sounds enlightening, entertaining and contesting all at the same time. So, for your dining pleasure, we are bringing out the fine China, the tea, scones and all the finery. Despite the extensive planning, you should be prepared to have fun!!

So, get the cameras ready. Wear your fascinator or fanciest hat. It is okay to wear jeans. We want you to enjoy yourself while we earn the grant hours. Please come on time because seats are first come first served. I can't wait to see you there!!!!

#Bridgertonparty #Lords&Ladies #Bridgertontrivia!!

