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Hi Southwest Saratoga Neighbor,

It is a pleasure to introduce you to the Southwest Neighborhood Association of Saratoga Springs.

The Southwest Neighborhood Association of Saratoga Springs, Inc. is a voluntary association of homeowners, business owners and residents. Our designated area includes neighborhoods within the city including Geyser Crest, Emerald Forest, Evergreen Pointe, Rowland Hollow East and The Springs. Our purpose in organizing is to identify and take action on matters of civic concern and, after appropriate consideration, to seek favorable resolution of these matters. Examples include planning, zoning and other land use issues, code enforcement, traffic safety, public utility issues, parks and recreation, aesthetic issues, needed services for the neighborhood, ensuring the Southwest Neighborhood be included in all natural and cultural city initiatives, protecting and preserving public and private property interests and achieving a sense of “community”.

Included in our list of accomplishments is our adoption of Geyser Road as part of the Saratoga County “adopt a roadside” program. In cooperation with the City Public Works Department, we have installed the “Welcome to Saratoga Springs” sign on Geyser Road, added additional lighting at the corner of Hathorn Blvd. and Geyser Road, and accomplished some improvements of city property on Hathorn Blvd. We have worked with the Department of Public Safety and the Saratoga Springs Police Department to establish regular police patrols of our area, accomplished new signage for “animal control” and fostered good communication between our neighborhood and the SSPD. Our major project at this time is to create a multi-use trail along Geyser Rd. which will connect our neighborhood with the State Park, the YMCA, downtown Saratoga Springs and downtown Milton Center. This pedestrian / bike trail will provide safe and healthy transportation alternatives.

SWNA has committees for various concerns. Animal control, derelict cars, household debris and large storage containers get our attention. We work to protect the sand dune which is an historic and endangered butterfly habitat on Geyser Road; we clean the historic Cady Cemetery; we advocate for code-enforcement regarding the protection of the public right-of-way/greenbelt in front of everyone’s home; we present “Curb Appeal Awards” to deserving residents on an annual basis; we have created an “Emergency Contact List” to assist the SSPD, and our liaison to Geyser School keeps us informed of school activities. Future issues include getting all homeowners to display required house numbers and to establish an easy way to report non-working street lights.

SWNA meetings are held the third Tuesday of September and the second Tuesday of November, January, March and May from 7:00 to 8:30 at Geyser Road School. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you care to become a voting member of the Association, dues are \$10 per household per year.

We hope you will look at our web site www.sswna.org and please join us at our next meeting.

Sincerely,
SWNA Officers and Membership