October 24, 2002 DECA Quarterly Meeting Minutes

- The meeting was held at Dresden Elementary School.
- Jim Dorsey introduced all the Shallowford Exchange Merchants (see October 24th handout).
- July 25th minutes approved.
- Treasurer's report: DECA balance is \$2787.99; most of DECA's money was spent on meeting room space, the picnic, and administrative costs; we have 217 members.
- The proposed DECA by-law amendments were unanimously approved; they deleted the charter member and added an honorary member.
- Membership: brochures were distributed in all the neighborhoods; 2 neighborhoods have greater than 50% membership; a member directory is coming soon.
- PDK Watch: PDK received a 1.2 million FAA grant to upgrade the taxiways to current standards (from holding 45,000 pounds to 75-102,000 pounds). PDK Watch opposed the grant; the Commissioners voted unanimously to accept it.
- Networking Northeast Neighborhood: DECA initiative to keep civic associations updated on each others activities and issues; they meet once a month; the latest issue is the tax allocation districts, which is up for vote in November; it is basically to redevelop areas and return tax revenue to the areas where it came from.
- Dresden Park: Steering Committee is close to finalizing the master plan for the community's review; they welcome St. Pious X as a financial partner with the county, giving them a portion of the park for varsity baseball practice
- Yard of the Month: all winners are posted on DECA's website.
- DECA Website: please submit realest fliers for the new "homes for sale" page.
- Refreshments: summer picnic cost \$400 and attracted more than 100 people.
- Community Council/Zoning/Graffiti: there has been discussion of commercial redevelopment on Chamblee Tucker road; if you see graffiti in the area, please help us get rid of it by working with the land/home owners or painting it over yourself (if possible).
- DECAzette: the current editor has had some health problems and the Board of Directors will work to get out the next edition asap.
- The county picks up tires for free; call Wayne Daniel at 770-455-9348 for more information
- A bird died of West Nile at Shallowford and Dresden Park.

Meeting Adjourned