

WEST END NEWS

OCTOBER 1976

WEST END ASSOCIATION ANNUAL COVERED DISH SUPPER A SUPER SUCCESS

On August 29, over 200 residents of the West End gathered in the courtyard of the Glade Street YWCA for what has become an annual tradition: the covered dish supper. Everyone brought loads of good food, good cheer, and the expected good time was had by all.

The line which formed to the tables holding the food was led by Terrell Young, and all the people who had the good sense to start living in the West End a long time ago were honored by being given first positions in the line. Terrell has lived in the neighborhood forever, and wouldn't live anywhere else.

A special treat at the supper was the music provided by Mark and Sally Wingate, and their friend, Howard Eury. The Wingates live in Washington Park, and their kind consent to play at our supper is another example of the friendly feeling that develops in neighborhoods which take the time to become "real" neighborhoods.

Everyone who enjoyed the supper should thank Molly Philo and her committee which made all the arrangements, got the plates and knives and forks and saw to it that everyone else just had to show up, eat, and have a good time. Thanks, Molly.

WASHINGTON PARK TO HAVE FESTIVAL OCTOBER 17, WEST END RESIDENTS INVITED

Sarah Johnston, President of the Washington Park Neighborhood Association, has amounced that their group will be having a concert and pot-luck picnic Sunday, October 17. On Saturday, October 16, from 9-3, the WPA

will have a giant yard sale at the corner of Cascade Avenue and Leonard Street. West End residents are enthusiastically invited to visit their neighbors in another old area of Winston-Salem, and join in the celebration at 4:00 p.m., October 17, Shelter #1, in Washington Park. Take a covered dish to share, and your beverages, plates and utensils.

STREET SCENE '76 FEATURES WEST END ASSOCIATION

The Urban Arts extravaganza, Street Scene 76, which was held in downtown Winston-Salem on Saturday and Sunday, September 11-12, had as one of its major attractions the West End Association Bulletin Board, which prominently displays the Association logo, photographs of houses and West End scenes, and many of the articles which have appeared in the local papers about people and places in the West End

The bulletin board was conspicuous in the neighborhood section on Liberty Street, and thousands of people walked by, stopped, looked and talked about how nice the West End is.

Also featured at Street Scene were some musicians, dancers, artists and others.

NEW BABIES IN WEST END

Recent months have shown that West End residents aren't just the people who have lived here for a long time, or who have just moved in, but that there are people who are BORN in the West End. Congratulations: to Eric and Janice Blackwell, a boy, David, born in February; to Macie and Jim Stikeleather, a girl, Rebecca, born June 22; to Penny and Doug Greenwood, a boy, Andrew, born in March; and to Player and Bob Fleury, a girl, Lydia, born Augūst 27. All those strollers going back and forth on West End sidewalks are a welcome sight.

The Land Use Study Committee, which has been working for almost a year, is almost ready to distribute a survey to every household in West End.

The Committee, which is made up of residents of the neighborhood and Harry Weiler of the City-County Planning Board staff, has been undertaking a neighborhood planning effort in order to provide all of us with the information necessary to make a positive contribution to the development of our city and our neighborhood. The Committee has made a survey of every existing structure in the West End, what its apparent use and occupancy is, and what the general condition of the property is.

The next step for the Committee is a survey of every household to get from each of you the information about you and where you live, and what you want from the neighborhood, so that we can get together and make suggestions to the Planning Board and the Aldermen about ways in which the West End can be improved and thereby improve our city.

Very shortly, each household should receive a survey form, with instructions for filling it in and returning it. Completed surveys are confidential, and there will be no place for you to have to identify yourself. The surveys will remain the property of the West End Association, but the assembled data from the survey will be used by the planning staff to help us determine, as a neighborhood, what kind of change might be desirable in maintaining the kind of place we want to live in.

The survey has gone through several drafts, and the Board of Directors of the Association recently held a long and detailed meeting on all the questions to be asked in the survey. Board members found the survey to be informative and interesting, and not a burden to complete. It is hoped that the Association will get 100% response to the survey, for in that way we will know what everyone in the West End wants in the way of services and development in the West End.

If there are other new babies in the West End who have been overlooked, please call our Vice-President, Molly Philo, who is in charge of receiving this kind of information. Also, news of general interest, new residents, anything which you think should be publicized in the neighborhood, call Molly at 725-0969, or put it on a postcard and send to our post office box: Box 161, Winston-Salem, 27102.

TREASURER'S REPORT

On October 1, 1976, the treasury of the West End Association held \$452.50. All bills have been paid. Most of this money has been raised through the sale of t-shirts and through membership dues.

MEMBERSHIP TASK FORCE

The Board of Directors has asked Stan Simm and Dick Stack to be co-chairmen of a membership task force which will have as its goal the 100% participation in activities of the West End Association by every resident of the neighborhood.

Stan and Dick have taken maps of the neighborhood, have divided the West End into forty parcels, mostly along lines of the existing city blocks, and will soon be contacting individuals in each of these parcels to serve as "Block Captains" in an effort to personally call upon every resident of the neighborhood and insure that everyone who lives in West End is aware of the work of the Association and has been given an opportunity to participate in the Association's activities.

If you are interested in serving as a block captain, or, if you want to know more about the membership task force, please get in touch with Stan Simm (725-5954) or Dick Stack (725-2180).

Lida Lowrey, 1228 Glade Street, who is Director of the Piedmont Craftsmen, Inc., is the chairperson of the committee which is overseeing the recent grant made to the West End Association to provide for the placement of a "participatory sculpture" in Hanes Park.

The Urban Arts program of the Winston-Salem Arts Council has awarded \$1,000 to the West End Association to be used to secure the design and construction of sculpture in Hanes Park. It is contemplated that the sculpture will not be something to look at only, but will be something which will attract all of us to participate with—to react to the sculpture and with its art and design.

Lida's committee is currently in the process of seeking design suggestions from artists, and will report to the Board from time to time about progress. Residents interested in this project are encouraged to make their interest known to Lida.

THANKS!!

The West End Association is especially grateful to Bradford Printing Company for printing our announcements and newsletters.

Doug and Penny Greenwood, who have recently left the neighborhood to move to Bethabara, deserve our gratitude for all their help in the distribution of these flyers. Bob and Shirley Fly who bought the Greenwoods' house on Summit Street, have taken over responsibility for distribution, and they get our thanks, too. Welcome to West End. Is there something about that house that makes you want to deliver the West End News?

RECENT ACTIVITIES OF THE WEST END BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Since the last general meeting of the Association in May, at which a new board and officers were elected, the Board has met monthly to discuss a variety of topics. Everything from immediate issues such as the proposed

until the summer of 1977) to the long-range needs of the neighborhood as might be expressed through the land use survey have been discussed.

We are in the process of having a draft constitution and by-laws considered and then brought before the Association for comment and possible adoption. This would enable us to become a non-profit corporation, and possibly become tax deductible.

We have received a grant from the Arts Council for a sculpture in Hanes Park, have discussed and negotiated with Holladay Supply Company concerning the old Jenkins property on West Fourth Street (now town down), have rejected a proposal by the Top and Trim Shop on Burke Street that a vacant lot on West Fourth Street be used as a parking lot, have heard preliminary plans for a low-density housing development for the elderly on Sunset Street, and have passed a unanimous resolution supporting the exchange of the Carolina Theatre by the newspaper, giving the city a downtown theatre which would become a performance center for the North Carolina School of the Arts.

Additionally, of course, we have continued to consider the housekeeping matters which attend the business of the Association, and, through committees, we have planned and executed the recent successful covered dish supper at the YWCA.

The Board, in an attempt to get all around the neighborhood, and to establish good relations with the institutions in the West End, has met at the YMCA, the YWCA and the Winston-Salem Women's Club. We thank these fine organizations for their hospitality.

If anyone has questions or comments, suggestions or criticisms for the officers and board, please feel encouraged to make it known. The officers are: Thorns Craven, President, 1232 Glade Street, 725-9832; Molly Philo, Vice-President, 701 Manly Street, 725-0969; and Jim Fox, Secretary-Treasurer, 619 Summit Street, 748-5136. Members of the Board and their addresses are: Madge Bolin, 652 Summit Street, 727-1518; Rufus Bost, 1412 Clover Street, 722-4228; Jackie Peterson, 621 Jersey Avenue, 724-7778; Stan Simm, 346 West End Boulevard, 725-5954; Dick Stack, 1201 Clover Street, 725-2180; Karl Stauber, 910 Carolina Avenue, 724-5805; and Ben Wilson, 817 West End Boulevard, 727-1110.

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At the annual covered dish supper, residents were given the opportunity to join the Association for a special rate of \$2.50 until the end of the year. We are especially anxious to increase the number of paid-up members of the West End Association, and would like to secure your membership, along with your name and address. We are hopeful that we can shift from personal delivery of news and announcements to regular mailings, but that will take both money (your dues) and membership lists (your name and address). You can help by filling in the the attached coupon and returning it with \$1.00, a special special year-end rate which will make you a member through December 31, 1976. Send your check and coupon to: West End Association, P. O. Box 161, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27102.

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