

WEST END NEWS

MARCH/APRIL 1979

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The Association met on Wednesday, February 28th for an annual election meeting. Attendance was excellent. The following are your new Board Members. After you read this, why not put it in your phone book for future reference. Problems or suggestions? Get in touch with us. We can't effectively function in your behalf without your input and support.

OFFICERS

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Judy Aanstad	608 Summit St.	(home) 748-8455 (office) 723-7961
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David & Renate Evans	1305 Clover St.	(home) 723-6673
Ann Freeman	735 West End Blvd.	(home) 722-1055
Bill & Martha Harper	909 West End Blvd.	(home) 722-2641
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Donnie & Ruthie Kirk	1216 Broostown Ave.	(home) 725-8639
Ken Land	434 Summit St.	(home) 761-8200

Brenda Penney	517 Jersey Ave.	(home) 722-2905
Paul Shepard	1406 Jarvis St.	(home) 722-8253
Pete & Barbara Smitherman	1209 Clover St.	(home) 725-7386
Stephanie Mitchell	1101 Glade St.	(home) 722-6925 (office) 725-2351

CRAVEN HONORED

The new Board held it's first meeting on Wednesday, March 21st at the YWCA. Ron Little, on behalf of the Association, presented Thorns Craven with a gift certificate from Piedmont Crafts as an expression of appreciation for the countless hours, tireless dedication and strong leadership he gave to the Association during his terms as President. This past year was a dynamic one with many landmark decisions being made and positive steps taken. We thank Thorns for all he has done and look forward to his continued participation on the Board.

BOARD MEETINGS

The Board voted to have it's monthly meetings on the third Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. Please note that the next Board meeting on April 17th will be at Ron Little's home.

BIKE RACE

The West End is once again helping to sponsor the Pabst Blue Ribbon Bicycle Race on May 5th. Mark your calendars! The Board voted to establish a West End Lap Prize of \$5.00 and a T-shirt for each race. Watch for more information.

REAL ESTATE REFERRAL

Know anyone interested in buying, selling, or renting in the West End? Please contact Ron Little.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

The Projects Committee chaired by Stephanie Mitchell is still soliciting ideas. Please call her with your ideas.

REMINDER

Association dues are due and payable now. If you have not payed, please do so. Is your neighbor a member, or do you know of anyone interested in becoming a member?

LOW INTEREST LOAN PROGRAM CONTINUES IN WEST END SOUTH

The West End South Community Development Program, which provides 3% interest loans for renovating houses in West End South, has been approved by the Winston-Salem Board of Aldermen for additional funding through June 30, 1980. The loan applicants on file with the Community Development Department will have their applications processed, and there is money beyond the present demand for a limited number of

loan applications.

The program got off to a quick start this past July. Out of the 20 houses listed as "dilapidated" or "needing major repairs" on the housing survey conducted by City Staff, ~~we~~ have begun renovation. The owner-occupancy rate has risen from 42% to 56% as that of the rest of the West End. 14 of the 32 loan applications are by owner-occupants who have purchased their homes since June.

By January 1979 only 4 of the 32 applications had actually been approved, and fear spread throughout the neighborhood when it became apparent that the loan funds were beginning to run out. These fears intensified when the initial recommendations proposed to the Board of Aldermen were to close out the West End South Development Program without fully funding the loan program. After public debate the Board of Aldermen voted to reprogram \$118,000 for West End South for the rest of this fiscal year. At its work session, the Board tentatively agreed that an additional \$440,000 would be available for the loan program this July. It was made official when the Board approved a Community Development Application to HUD for the fiscal year 1979-1980 which included a total of \$458,500 for the West End South program.

Six more loans have been approved now, and there is still enough money to approved one more loan before June 30th. 22 loans will be carried over into the next fiscal year, and with the \$458,500 there is enough to meet the present demand plus a few new applications.

New applications will be accepted by the city, and they will be processed when funds are available. There are now income qualifications: (1) an investor with a majority of tenants that have incomes of 80% or less of the median income, (2) an owner-occupant whose income is 125% or less of the median income. The median income varies with family size (family of one - \$11,000). Elderly owner occupants whose incomes are 50% or less of the median can get \$5,000 renovation grants with no repayment required.

It is apparent that resources outside the Program are important. The West End South Committee is looking into funds for public works, private low interest bank loans as well as other areas. There are more houses available for owner-occupants. Questions? Call Paul Shepard (home-722-8253, office 723-5576).

THE WEST END SOUTH'S PETITION TO REZONE THE LUMLEY HOUSE ON FIRST ST. R2 PASSES THE PLANNING BOARD WITHOUT OPPOSITION. HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IS ON APRIL ~~2nd~~ 2nd.

To: The West End Association, P.O. Box 161, Winston-Salem, N.C. 27102

Please enroll me as a member of the West End Association for 1979. Enclosed is() \$5.00 for me and my family; () \$2.00 for senior citizen or retired person.

Name(s) _____

Address _____ Telephone _____

Special interests and suggestions: _____

BLOCK CAPTAIN SYSTEM

The Board discussed implementation of a Block Captain System as a means of better communication within the neighborhood. It was voted to establish a committee to study this question.

WEST END PLAN

Remember the fifty four page West End Plan? It is alive and active in the hands of the City Planning Staff. Their recommendations should be forthcoming in the near future. There will follow a period for review and additional input from all those interested.

TRASH

The Association is sending letters to City Officials requesting greater attention be given to the problem of trash accumulation in the neighborhood; especially in Hanes and Grace Court Parks. Your personal letter or call would greatly add to this effort.

Mr. Allen Hine, Superintendent of Parks P.O.Box 2511,
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27102

Why not take the first step yourself and collect a bag of trash on your next walk in the neighborhood.

INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD

The West End Association joins with the nations in celebrating the international year of the child. Special emphasis is called The Week of the Young Child, from April 1-7, 1979. There will be programs for the preschool child every day from 10:00-2:30 in the Thruway Mall (downstairs) by the Forsyth Association for Education of Young Children. There will be an art exhibit in Hanes Mall (downstairs near J. C. Penny) on Saturday, April 7; also, storytelling and participatory crafts, puppets, etc., from 10:00-3:00 p.m. The Forsyth County Public Library will provide storytelling in Hanes Park (by the swings) on April 6, at 9:30 and 2:30. All preschoolers, kindergarteners and mothers are invited.