

Finally, Bill Harper reported on the house tour and showed a brochure that has been sent out to all members and distributed through-out the city. We all need to help sell tickets, so let's get busy.

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 7:30 p.m. ON JANUARY 13TH AT THE HOME OF CHUCK AND LIZ HOTCHKISS (1029 WEST END BLVD.) 761-0456

1981 Dues

The 1981 West End Association membership dues are due on January 1, 1981. Attached below is a membership blank for your 1981 membership.

West End Association P.O. Box 161 Winston-Salem, N.C. 27102 Dues 1981

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West End Neighborhood

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Tree Decorating and Caroling in the West End

T'is the season to be jolly and much much more! This year the Christmas caroling for youngsters and adults will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, December 19th in front of Bill and Martha Harper's home, (909 West End Blvd.). Everyone who participated last year had a grand time and we invite all those who did not participate to come out and join the fun. Dress warmly and bring your hymnal and a flashlight. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Also, Saturday morning December 20th, at 11:00 a.m. we will decorate the Christmas Tree at the corner of West End and Glade Street. It is hoped that everyone will have their ornaments ready. If there are any questions concerning the caroling or tree decorating please contact Chuck Hotchkiss at 761-0456.

West End Christmas Party

The annual Christmas Party for the West End will be held on Saturday, December 20th at the Womans Club, 952 W. 4th Street, from 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring hors d'oeuvres or party-type food, and of course punch will be served together with brilliant conversation! Put this on your calendar now!

Christmas House Tour - Reminder

Please get all baked cookies (3 or 4 dozen) to Ann Freeman as quickly as possible. Call Ann at 722-1055 and tell her what you are cooking. If you are single and do not wish to make home-made cookies, please call and donate a box of Moravian cookies.

You may pick up your House Tour tickets at Wachovia - West End Branch, Zevely House, Arts Council, Hughes-Carlyle (Hanes Mall) or from any West End Board Member.

Sign up for ten tickets to sell and pick them up from Don Kirk at 1216 Brookstown Ave. #725-8639

State of the Neighborhood

It has been a pleasure to work with the other officers and the rest of the West End Board ever since we were all elected last February. I have been particularly gratified at the widespread participation in neighborhood activities.

Whether in pushing for reforms of procedures, planning, promoting our projects, improving our public facilities or taking stands on controversial matters, I believe the efforts and accomplishments of our neighborhood have been without parallel.

Many neighbors can take credit for this success. I consider myself fortunate to have become acquainted with so many of them and to have served with them. I have seen first-hand how much good can be done by people united in purpose.

In this year alone we have already seen:

- * Over \$30,000 in improvements to Grace Court (thanks to the efforts of Barbara Smitherman and many others);
- * A new playground area in Hanes Park, begun by the city at the instigation, primarily, of the West Highlands Neighborhood and to be completed through a fund established in the memory of Lucy Parker;
- * A continuation of the substantial housing renovation --- privately and publicly financed -- in the West End South;
- * A variety of social and other events such as the bike race, the covered-dish supper, the upcoming Christmas festivities and the house tour;
- * Strong neighborhood stands on controversial public matters such as billboards, east-west thoroughfare options, housing code enforcement, public works and safety, zoning and planning and the fair housing;
- * The substantial improvement in the format of our newsletter and its regular monthly publication.

I truly feel that all of this activity has not only improved our neighborhood and city in immeasurable ways, but also has had a strong unifying effect on us.

I am most inspired by ideas that our accomplishments have in turn given birth to. At the top of my list is my hope that we will continue vigorously with planning for the preservation and enhancement of our historic neighborhood.

I have decided, however, not to run for re-election as president of the association. I believe one term is enough, and that there is plenty of talent waiting to be tapped. In such an energetic and diverse group of people as we are, there is never a void in any leadership position, and I hope to continue to work for the neighborhood in whatever capacity is afforded me.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

-- Paul Shepard --

Board Meeting Minutes

The December meeting of the West End was held at Augsburg Lutheran Church on 12/9/80. In attendance were Bill Harper, Chuck Hotchkiss, Paul Shepard, Carlie Hughes, Don Kirk, Rence Callahan, and Bill Wise.

West End Association member Gray Robinson also attended the Board meeting and presented a request from the owners and residents of Manley Street that the bottom of Manley Street be sealed off from West End Boulevard. Gray pointed out that this is a very dangerous intersection, particularly for vehicles turning on to West End off of Manley Street, and that more and more traffic has been using this street as a shortcut which is posing a danger to children and other pedestrians. The residents of that street intend to present a petition signed by the owners and residents requesting that the street be closed, and the West End Board voted unanimously to support this petition.

The next matter coming before the Board was the determination of which Board members had 2-year terms and which members have 1-year terms. Prior to the last election, it was decided that six Board members would have 1-year terms this year in order that all Board members, other than officers, could be elected on a staggered basis to 2-year terms. This plan should provide continuity to the actions of the association. After considerable discussion and consideration of the attendance records of Board members this year, the Board decided the six seats on the Board which now have 2-year terms. These seats are those currently occupied by Rence Callahan, Ann Freeman, Moth and Carlie Hughes, Chuck and Liz Hotchkiss, Mike Page, and Rich Teague. The other six seats on the Board, together with the four officers seats will be up for election this winter.

The next item of business was the nominating committee in order to seek candidates for officers and six of the twelve other positions on the Board of Directors. Paul Shepard, who announced he will not be running for re-election as President, will be chairman of the Nominating Committee and the other members include Rence Callahan, Don Kirk, Carlie Hughes, Ann Freeman, and Chuck Hotchkiss. Be thinking about this over the holidays and please let any committee member know if you are either interested in a position on the Board or wish to let us know of one of your friends or neighbors who you think would be good on the Board.

Don Kirk gave a treasurer's report on the state of the association's finances. Over \$150.00 was raised by the poinsettia sale, and we are thankful for the efforts of the Kirks in raising this money. The Lucy Parker Memorial Fund has now reached over \$900.00, out of which \$750.00 has been committed for another piece of playground equipment in Hanes Park with the rest allocated toward landscaping and other playground improvements. The Board unanimously resolved to commend the West Highlands Neighborhood Association who together with members of West End originally petitioned the city for Hanes Park improvements as well as the Committee chaired by Rence Callahan which has raised the money for additional improvements as a memorial to Lucy Parker. Don also reported that some money has come in for house tour tickets (with a lot more expected shortly) but that by-far the bulk of our current treasury is from the more than \$30,000.00 which has been raised for the Grace Court project. In this connection, funds have been coming in rapidly lately and with a little bit of luck (and some more contributions for park benches and plantings) the Grace Court project will be finished soon. The work has been going on at a feverish pace in anticipation of the house tour this Sunday (Dec. 21st from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.).