

HISTORIC DISTRICT

The May meeting drew an especially small crowd but we heard a number of reports of progress toward achieving National Historic District status for West End. It's going to take some time (probably eighteen months to two years) and some money (on the order of \$20,000), but the rewards seem to justify both.

There is not room to publish the whole plan and its requirements and advantages in any one issue of the newsletter, so we will take it one bite at a time.

What Is The National Register of Historic Places?

The National Register is a list of properties worthy of preservation for their historic value. It is authorized by the Historic Preservation Act of 1966. Nominations can include buildings, structures, objects, sites or districts. Nominations are made by the State Historic Preservation Officer, after approval by the State Professional Review Committee and the Survey and Planning Branch, Division of Archives and History. Nominations are sent to the National Register, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, in Washington, D. C. They are reviewed there, and then, if approved, entered in the Register.

What Does Listing In The National Register Mean?

First, it is recognition of the importance of the property or district to the past and present of the locality, state and nation.

Second, National Register listing means that, according to state and federal law, <u>any</u> state-funded or assisted project, or <u>any</u> federally funded, licensed, or assisted project that might have any effect (positive or adverse) upon the integrity of the National Register property or district must be reviewed according to certain procedures. Generally, this means that the State or Federal official must contact the State Historic Preservation Officer to assess the effect of the project on the National Register property, and the necessary review procedures are then followed. This could include, for example, a Federal highway going through a house; an urban renewal project destroying part or all of a historic district. The review does not always mean that the historic property is saved, but in many cases it does.



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> Third, National Register listing is a requirement for certain kinds of matching grants from the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service for renovation, stabilization, repairs and restoration.

NEW FORMAT FOR THE WEST ENDER

And Now: Welcome to our West Ender advertizers for 1983/84. Each of the twelve businesses will speak to us from one of the small display spaces for ten months, and for two months they will tell us of a special feature from one of the larger spaces on the centerfold.

There are two reasons for adding regular advertising space and increasing the size of the newsletter. First, we need to reduce the net cost of printing the newsletter (even with the special price West End Printers and Ad Type have been giving us). Second, we wanted to draw the commercial sections of West End into more direct participation in the Association. Burke, West End Boulevard, West Fourth, and Brookstown have had commercial sections since West End was a pup. We are neighbors with a diverse business community where it is common for owners and their family members to hold day-to-day responsibility for the quality and value of their products and the satisfaction of their customers.

A very large majority of these businesses support the West End Association with their commercial advertising or family memberships. It is appropriate that West Enders return that support with their patronage.

COMMUNITY WATCH

Your West End Association has tried for more than two years to develop an awareness of the Community Watch program among West End residents, yet we still find that many crimes in our neighborhood are not even reported to the police. What's the story -- do we like contributing to the delinquency of minors? Do we not have time to get involved in helping one another or ourselves? Whatever the excuse -- We need to change!

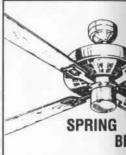


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Call 911 for all immediate-response situations.

Added item as the newsletter goes to press:

Some good news and some bad news on crime in West End. On Monday, May 30, a West End couple observed a young person running with his hands over his pockets, as if attempting to control heavy weight in the pockets. He was also watching the path behind him by hiding behind shrubs or other cover long enough to check for pursuit. The man followed the youth at a distance while the wife called the police. The boy went to a video game room; the observer camped in a Now the bad news: Three telephone booth outside. phone calls and one hour and fifteen minutes later, the police arrived at the wrong address. The wife went down the street, found that the officers were responding to her calls and gave them the location of the telephone booth where her husband was camped. The good news is that the youth was on the police wanted list; he was taken into custody and was still giving the police a list of his crimes when I checked The "problem" with with them on Tuesday morning. his pockets was that they were full of change probably taken from vending machines or someone's piggy bank. They still owe us a call on why it took more than an hour to respond to the situation.

WEST END CLEANUP WEEKEND

Pack rat's hell or spouse of pack rat's heaven. It depended on whether your mate was supervising the hauling out of your five-year collection of "good stuff," or whether you were seeing the walls and floor of the garage or basement for the first time in years. That was cleanup weekend in West End.



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Our thanks to Joyce Gravlee for making the arrangements, and to Anne Williams, Supervisor of Environmental Affairs, Office of the Public Works Department, who had all the stuff hauled away on Monday by a city crew which did one fine job on an incredible amount. They cleaned it all up!! A special tip of our hat to Boy Scout Troop #740 and their leaders, Dr. L. R. Shelton and Ben Wilson who cleaned a pile of trash from Peter's Creek where it passes through Hanes Park. Bill Harper, Bill Gibson and Glen Gravlee (and several of their sons) had a major hand (and back) in that clean-up also.

The Pot Luck Supper at Grace Court was another socio-gastronomic success. All those who were unable to make it to this feast missed out, and we hope you will join us next time. We thank McDonald's on Reynolda Road for the cooler full of ice-cold orange drink to wash down the pot luck.

Parking at the YMCA

Those West Enders who live near the YMCA will be glad to hear that the planning division of the YMCA has asked their architect to develop an alternate plan for parking facilities.

Next Meeting

The June meeting of the West End Board will take place on Tuesday June 14th at 8:00 p.m., at the home of Bob and Kate Fenning, 625 Jersey Avenue. Representatives of the City Traffic Control Division will be there with their plans and an ear for our concerns.

SUMMER IN THE PARK

On Saturday, July 16th, at Grace Court Park, long about 6:00 p.m., there will be a Band Concert by the British Brass Band from Greensboro. Really. The band consists of 25 pieces; most members are music department faculty from area schools and colleges who play this traditional band music for their own fun and enjoyment.

Bring your picnic and a friend or two or ten and enjoy the band's regular Sunday afternoon rehearsal, which they will do for us on that Saturday evening so they can bask in your applause.

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