

WEST END CALENDAR

Saturday, April 26 - Cleanup day

Saturday, May 3 - Bike Race @ Hanes Park

Tuesday, May 6, 8:00 p.m. - West End Association Board Meeting at the Hunter's, 1404 Brookstown Avenue

Wednesday, May 7 - Closing date for items for <u>The West Ender</u> to Joyce Gravlee, 1205 Clover Street

Sunday, May 18, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Wachovia West End Center Dedication

WEST END, CLEAN UP YOUR ACT

Do we have your attention? Your West End Association is giving you an opportunity to clean out all of that debris that's been cluttering your storage areas. On April 26, the City will have special trash trucks patroling the neighborhood picking up anything you leave at the curb. Old appliances, mattresses, all of those large items that normally require a trip to the landfill will be picked up this one day. Also, Ben Wilson's Boy Scout Troop will help us clean Hanes Park before the big race weekend. If you'd like to help or if you need a hand carrying large junk call Bob Hunter at 724-6805. It's all just one more special service brought to you by the good old West End Association.

ANNUAL BICYCLE RACE RETURNS TO HANES PARK

For the ninth consecutive year, amateur bicycle racing will be held in Hanes Park. The Hanes Park Criterium, sponsored by WXII, Wachovia and Smith Barney, will feature amateur and professional bicycle racers from Winston-Salem, North Carolina, all over the United States, and, if tradition holds, from several foreign countries as well.

There will be seven separate races on Saturday, May 3, beginning about 8:00 a.m. The course for all races is the streets around Hanes Park, a total distance of 1.25 miles. Each race will go for a number of laps, with the longest race featuring the professional and senior men. It will be 40 miles long.

Other races will feature juniors, women, and riders over 35. All the riders must be licensed by the United States Cycling Federation, which sanctions the race. Cash prizes will be awarded top finishers.

Ken Putnam, a former West End resident and owner of Ken's Bike Shop in Reynolda Village, is the promoter of the race, and he is holding two more races during that weekend, a hill climb up Hanging Rock on Friday, May 2, and a circuit race in Spruce Pine on Sunday.

Plan to spend the day at the races, watching one of the world's most beautiful sports.

If you would like to get to know one or more of the competitors, you could provide housing to a racer. Call Ken at 724-9688, for details.

See you at the bike race on Saturday, May 3.

WACHOVIA HOSTS AN OPEN HOUSE

Wachovia will have a dedication service and an open house at its West End Center Sunday, May 18 from 2:00 p.m. through 5:30 p.m. Entertainment, tours and refreshments will be provided. The band, balloons and refreshments should appeal to the whole family.

Dalton Ruffin of Wachovia has invited all residents of the West End area to the open house. "This will be one of the few chances we have to open the center to visitors, and we would like for people who live nearby to be able to see what's inside," Ruffin said.

Ruffin also said that the refurbishing of the outside of the former Sears building will be completed before the dedication. Canopies have been removed, and a wide band of stucco-like material will be placed around the entire exterior of the building. The former garden shop area on Fourth Street also is being enclosed.

BOARD MEETINGS ARE NEVER BORING

The Board met April 1 at the Wilson's. Chris Chapman brought a copy of PACE, the Piedmont in-flight magazine, which features Winston-Salem in its current issue. The West End was highlighted as a restored historic neighborhood.

Jean Wine resigned from the Board since she will be moving soon. Randy and Lea Loftis will fill her vacant seat. Sarah Johnston-Hunter has been named to the City-County Planning Board and, therefore, will resign from the West End Board, but her husband, Bob Hunter, will continue to serve on our Board.

A spokesman in the City's Parks and Recreation Department has assured the West End that Hanes Park is a most unlikely location for a Reynolds High Stadium. The original land grant for the park disallows the building of any structures on the land. Also, action by the Board of Aldermen would be necessary for the stadium to be built in the park. Since the School Board is now considering a proposal for Reynolds & Parkland High to share a new stadium in the Parkland district, we hope that nobody is seriously considering Hanes Park for the site of a stadium. We will remain vigilant on this matter.

The Board discussed the request of Chad Dezern to expand his silkscreen business's building on Burke Street. He wants to add a single-story addition screened by an 8 foot fence. The addition will abut the alley for approximately sixteen feet. This construction requires a zoning variance. The Board agreed to support the variance if the addition is limited to only one story in height. Also, the 8 foot fence will have to be solid and the parking lot paved. Mr. Dezern was most cooperative with the West End Association, and his variance was granted by the Zoning Board.

The Board budgeted \$500.00 for concerts in the park this summer. There will be four or five events, one per month, beginning in May or June. Liz Gilliam will coordinate these. The Fourth of July Children's Parade on Fourth Street will become an annual event.

Warren Steen, Candidate for th School Board, met with the Board to express his views and to answer questions.

HELP OUR NEW TREES GROW!

Please keep an eye on the many new trees being planted. They may need water if it gets very hot. These beautiful dogwoods will be a wonderful addition to the streetscape. Please help protect them.

PETREE, STOCKTON & ROBINSON Learn The Laws Of Renovation

The officials of Petree, Stockton & Robinson have become true residents of the West End. They've begun the process familiar to all of us of renovating an older home, in their case it is the old Hanes house. (the former Child Guidance Clinic).

An architectural firm has presented plans for renovating the inside of the property, and estimates from contractors, electricians, etc. & etc. are coming in. The adjacent Carriage House has been remodeled to hold a litigation suite. We'll keep you posted on the lawyer's efforts to revive this fine old property as office space. We appreciate the firm's desire to save this pivotal historic landmark.

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