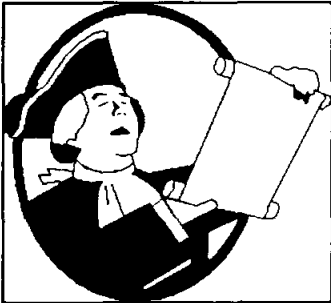


The West-End

By and for the
West End Neighborhood

September, 1989

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEST END ASSOCIATION MEETING

**September 5, 1989
8:00 p.m.
The Susan Walter home
715 Summit Street**

EVERYONE WELCOME

YWCA GARAGE SALE

A "general fund raising" garage sale will be held at the YWCA on September 9, 1989 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. All items would be appreciated, and tax donation forms are available. Call Brenda Piele at the YWCA -- 722-5138 -- to arrange for pick-up of items. Or they may be brought to the YWCA any time during the day. If you don't have anything to donate, plan to come and shop!

ANNUAL TRASH PICK-UP DAY

Start thinking about cleaning out your garage, basement, yard, and attic! The annual **LARGE TRASH PICK-UP** day will be in October. Watch for the exact date in the next edition of the West-End.


NEW FILM PROGRAM

The Tuesday night film program at the Forsyth County Public Library has been cancelled. However, plans are underway to launch a new special film program in October. Watch for more detail in the October West-End.

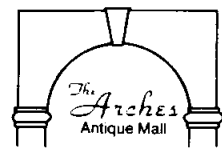
FORSYTH COUNTY HISTORIC PROPERTIES BROCHURE AVAILABLE


The Forsyth County Historic Properties commission has recently published a packet of maps that should spark the interest of both professional and novice preservationists. A large overview map identifies 118 sites throughout the county, and individual maps are available to identify historic properties in the following districts: Bethabara, Bethania, Downtown Area, Kernersville, Pfafftown, Reynolda Park, Salem, Washington Park, West End, West Highlands. Both the large map and the smaller neighborhood maps have descriptions and points of interest about the featured sites. The packet is available from the Planning office in City Hall for \$3.00. Call 727-2087 for more information.

Editor's note: Call Jim Vaughan at 724-4579 to submit announcements for the West-End. Deadline is the 15th of the month preceding publication.


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MEETING NOTES - August 1, 1989
by Lea Loftis, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. at the Larks-Verdery home.

The Traffic Committee reports that work should begin soon on Summit Street.

The Hanes Park Task Force is in the process of selecting a landscape architect/land planner.

Becky Gibson and Joanna Hudson are working on the memorial to Barbara Smitherman. The plaque is to be ordered and the tree will be planted this fall.

The Membership Committee reported on the plans for a Fall membership drive. Chair, Shelly Kirley, announced that a block captain system has been formed, a square rounds dance welcome event for new and present members will be held on November

10th at the YWCA, and the Committee proposed that next year's meeting dates accommodate two open agenda meetings in order to encourage discussion from any member of the Association.

The Nominating Committee comprised on the most recently elected board members will meet soon to consider a slate for 1990.

Jim Fox is working to gather the information for a long range plan for the West End. In addition to being a status report and/ or recommending changes, it will hopefully be an "Early Warning System," identifying potential properties at risk, and beginning to address solutions.


Randolph Horner reported on several conversations with Brian Smith, the Durham developer of the Gladstone Apartments. Brian South has agreed to narrow the size of the proposed driveway from 12 feet to 10 feet and to come back from the property line between the Gladstone and the Whartons in order to have a privacy strip. There is further discussion to be had on how the parking will be laid out. The West End stands on its offer to donate some plantings for the property.

Randolph also further reported on the Inter-neighborhood Council. After some business leaders exerted pressure on some members of the Council because of concerns over anti-business activities, the group has had to regroup. The goals are still very much needed, and the West End Association is anxious to support continued efforts of the Council to survive.

Meetings and events for the remainder of the year are as follows: September 5, at the home of Sue Walter; October 2, at the home of Bill Sugg/Carol Wells; November 7, at the home of Bill and Dottie Wise. As usual, there will be a Christmas Party in December. Keep tuned for more detail.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the editor of the West-End:

The cleanup at the YWCA is in process, funded by Federal Disaster Relief money. A landscape plan has been developed with the help of Jones Abernathy, and the contract is with L.A. Reynolds. At the beginning of the project a thorough inventory was done and those trees that were judged live and stable were identified. L.A. Reynolds subcontracted the clean up to Spainhour Co., who asked for and got permission to call Duke Power Company to remove trees on their right of way. Mike Beauchamp at L.A. Reynolds, the project director, has accepted responsibility for the removal of those trees on Glade Street that were to remain. The YWCA and L.A. Reynolds will have to resolve compensation for this loss.

We still stand behind our commitment to be good neighbors and deeply regret the loss of those trees unnecessarily. This project is far from complete, and more tree removal is to be done. We assure you that in every case, we will be fully informed. We do believe that the result, when replanted with trees and shrubs and seeded, will be a definite addition to the West End neighborhood.

Thank you for your understanding,
Connie L. Stafford
Executive Director, YWCA



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**HOUSE OF THE MONTH
by Laura Phillips**

ON THE RECORD: The Vaughn-Fletcher House at the northwest corner of W. Fourth and Forsyth Streets is a good example of a prominent early West End house which was updated during a later period to give it a renewed air of prominence. The irregular massing of the large two-story house with its polygonal corner bay and wraparound porch provides evidence of its ca.1894 construction in the Queen Anne style. The stuccoed walls, multiple French doors, and Craftsman-style porch details reflect, on the other hand, the ca.1920 remodeling. Joseph B. Vaughn was the original owner, and Joseph R. Fletcher purchased the property in 1919, remodeling the house soon thereafter. **OFF THE RECORD:** Today the Vaughn-Fletcher house and its neighbor, the 1892 Edgar D. Vaughn House at the southwest corner of W. Fourth and Forsyth Streets, appear to be quite different. A closer inspection, however, reveals that they are remarkably similar in

form, with one of the biggest differences being that one has a hipped roof while the other has a gabled roof. Originally the two houses, which were built within two years of each other, may have been nearly identical. **GOSSIP:** The two houses may well have ties that go beyond their physical similarities. Original owners Joseph B. Vaughn and Edgar D. Vaughn were both wholesale grocers. Were they also brothers?

Editor's Note: West Enders wishing to share information about their homes may reach Laura Phillips at 727-1968.

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