

The West End

By and for the
West End Neighborhood

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"DOONESBURY" COMING TO THIS NEWSLETTER: Trudeau or Falseau?

Our neighborhood being a notorious hotbed of fuzzy thinking, it is not surprising that many West Enders are down-in-the-dumps, if not up-in-the-arms, over the Winston-Salem Journal's decision to skeef Garry Trudeau's worldview from our daily fare. Can't you hear the grumbling? Well, what you might be hearing is the traffic on I-40, but I hear the grumbling (and the traffic). Well, fellow citizens, you are flat out of luck. Although "we are solvent," according to Treasurer Becky Sparrow, your Association is not awash in sufficient funds to purchase and print "Doonesbury" in these pages. What the hell, Trudeau might be making fun of earnest souls such as ourselves at this very moment. Who knows? . . . indeed, who knows?

THE WEST END GARDEN CLUB -- WINSTON-SALEM'S NEW HOT SPOT??

You're invited! This group is open to anyone in Forsyth County -- you don't have to own land, but a potted plant or two might help. And, according to Chris Yarborough, it's the only garden club in town with both female and male members. On December 19th, the Club hosted a most enjoyable Christmas Party at Pam and Scott Jones's Restoration-in-Progress on Brookstown Avenue. Revelers brought gifts for needy kids. Particular thanks go to David Christenbury, Shirley Fly, Rosemary Epperly, Jack Paul, Shirley Gobble and Billie Keith Jones for making the event a success. Thanks, too, to Mary Beth Blackwell-Chapman-Whatever for spearheading the club's Christmas Eve luminaries project, in support of the Ronald McDonald House.

The January meeting will be at the YW on the 16th -- you missed it, didn't you. Do not despair: on February 20th, at 7:30, the Club will meet at the Brothers' Workshop in Old Salem. The Special Guest will be Peter Hatch, a former West End resident and horticulturalist at Old Salem. He is now the Director of Gardens and Grounds at Monticello -- is that a job, or what? Come hear this lucky guy and check out what he has to show you!

GENE DICKSON PREDICTS NEW OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS -- MOST RESIDENTS NOT SELECTED!!!

Well, actually, this is the promised slate from Brenda Penney's Nominating Committee:

President -- Wanda Merschel	Vice-Pres. -- Missy Vaughn
Secretary -- Bill Gibson	Treasurer -- Glenn Simmons
New Board Members:	
Sal Aiello & Tim Nichols	Jim Fox
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It's up to you to confirm or confound these predictions! Please come to the Annual Meeting on the second Tuesday in February, the 11th, at the

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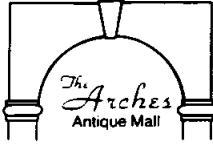
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YWCA. The meeting will begin at 7:15, and we expect to clear out of there by 9:00 (see Historic Preservation blurb below). Short biographical sketches of the nominees will probably be distributed at that time, in case you think it useful to have the foggiest idea who you're voting for. Warning: if you fail to attend, you risk being nominated from the floor and elected to some really stressful, degrading, thankless position.

NEW YEAR OFF TO YE OLDE ROARING START:

At the January 7th meeting of your Board, several topics graced the agenda, and it was a remarkably uncontentious evening.

Treasury: While we are solvent, we would be more so if you would buy several of the glorious Grace Court Gazebo T-shirts presently in inventory. \$15 -- S, M, L sizes available.

Membership: 1992 dues are due, right now! Did you get a little envelope stuffed into this newsletter? Here's what you do: Fill out the "Membership Application" on the back of this newsletter, cut it out, write a check for \$15 (or \$5, or \$25), stuff both documents into the envelope and drop it in the mail. Or bring the whole package to the annual meeting. (If you didn't get an envelope, please use one of your own.) Thanks for acting on this right away.

Elections: See blurb above. Exercise your franchise. If you don't come vote, then don't complain about what a bunch of nincompoops next year's officers and board members are.

Local Historic District Project: A Commission staffer will present a professional view of the West End's status at the Annual Meeting. This ought to be an interesting and informational event, especially for newcomers to our community. Be there! 7:15 p.m., Tuesday February 11th, at the YWCA!!!

By-laws: Take notice that the Association will vote on an amendment to our by-laws expanding the geographical boundaries of "the West End" to include what is known as "Crystal Towers." This vote will take place at the annual meeting, the one on February 11th, remember?


Better Wet than Never: Teri Johnson has been conferring with City landscape guru Joe Jackson on expansion of the irrigation system in Grace Court. It will cost \$\$; your Association is being asked to help. We applaud the idea, but, being prudent stewards of your dues and contributions, the Board wants to see some plans and specs.

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