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Our last West End meeting was on June 6, 2000. Some of the highlights are as follows:

David Lane provided us with blueprints and a description of a planned development for Northwest Blvd. The development is planned for the site currently occupied by the Skidmore warehouse. It will contain 8,700 sq. ft. of pedestrian business space on the 1st floor, 27,000 sq. ft. of office space on the 2nd floor, and a 2,500 sq. ft. penthouse on the 3rd floor. The site will have parking for 180 cars. The space is currently zoned for pedestrian business. Although not within the West End Historic District, the plans received a very positive response from the group.

Plans were discussed for installation of the clock in Grace Court, which is tentatively planned for mid-August.

The Winston-Salem Foundation, will be selling the Tise House (which currently houses the Women's Club).

The W.E. Newsletter editor requested that materials for publication in the newsletter be submitted by the 15th of each month.

In the police report, the officers in attendance told us that they apprehended the individual responsible for several car break-ins over the past few weeks. If you require police assistance, call the Winston-Salem Police bike patrol at 727-2177, or you may contact the downtown Police headquarters by dialing 911.

The Historic District Commission has passed new rules for certificates of appropriateness for home renovations. The changes will be summarized in an upcoming newsletter. In the meantime, if you want additional information you may contact Robbie King at robbiek@ci.winston-salem.nc.us.

Bobbie Finch has arranged a social gathering for residents of the West End. Please see the enclosed flyer.

Jackie Pittman has graciously offered to chair this year's House Tour. (Thanks Jackie!) Let's be sure to give her lots of assistance.

Christmas House Tour.

It is not too early to give some thought to whether or not you'd like to have your house on the Christmas House Tour. If you think this is something you'd like to do, give Jackie Pittman a call at 722-4122 (h), or e-mail her at pittmant@netunlimited.net

West End neighbor involved in creating a charity organization

Did you know that one of your neighbors, Ben Wilson, recently created a new charity organization to help needy children living in Vietnam? Ben started *Children of Vietnam* (or COV) in 1998, after many years of experience working in Southeast Asia. COV targets needy children and their families living in the Quang Nam Province in Central Vietnam. COV gathers needed resources and supplies, matching these with the needs of children in the region. Specifically targeted for assistance are street children, those living in orphanages, children who are ill, disabled, very poor, or otherwise at risk. COV has made tremendous contributions to these children and their families by providing: homes, bridge repairs, scholarships, rice programs, clothing, and medical care. Many West Enders have contributed to this effort. If you would like to learn more about COV, visit their website at http://www.ChildViet.com

Distribution of the newsletter

We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to be backup persons for distributing the newsletter in certain parts of the West End (for when people go on vacation, etc.) If you would be willing to do this in your area, give Lisa or David Elam a call at 724-5282, or email them at david.elam@SKLP.com

We want to thank Andrew Leslie who has agreed to deliver the newsletter in the Crystal Tower section of West End.

We also need a volunteer to deliver 25 newsletters on Manly Street.

Next monthly meeting: July 11th at 7:00 p.m. at Grace Court Gazebo We will be discussing the 4 houses the YMCA wants to remove.

And Now a Word From Our Sponsors

West End Video will be celebrating their 7th anniversary in September, Jo Lynn Allen (the owner) has a large variety of movies, knowledgeable employees, and a large resource center. You can usually find Cinema Society films and Academy Award winning foreign films. If you haven't seen a subtitled film in recent years, you would be surprised at the improvements that have been made. The subtitles are much easier to read and a lot less distracting. Recommended films: Close to Eden (Russian), Run Lola Run (German), Children of Heaven (Iranian). Open Monday through Thursday 1-9 pm, Friday 1-10 pm, Saturday 12-10 pm, and Sunday 2-9 pm.

The <u>Snob Shop</u> has been in the West End for 20 years, They offer, on a consignment basis, a large selection of adult and children's clothing and household items. Stop by and see them Monday through Saturday 10am-5pm.

The <u>West End Café</u> has just celebrated its 3rd year at its new location across from Grace Court. The West End Café first opened in 1980 (in the property where Bella Capri is now located), and has been serving-up great soups, salads, and deli sandwiches ever since. When they moved to their current location a new eclectic dinner menu was added. Open Monday through Saturday 11 am to 10 pm, on Fridays they remain open until 11 pm. Fish Pond open 24 hours a day.

SummerFest 2000 Ice Cream Social and Big Chill

Don't miss the best event this summer - the Winston-Salem Churches In Ministry SummerFest 2000. Two hours of ice cream, great entertainment, and old-fashioned fun for the entire family. Sunday, July 16th, 5-7 pm at Grace Court.

Members of local churches will provide homemade ice cream and compete in an ice cream tasting contest judged by local celebrities. In the Big Chill, Pastors and Community Leaders will sit on blocks of ice and use cellular phones to raise funds. Entertainment: Salem Band, Vogler Brothers Quartet, Mt. Olive Baptist Church Gospel Choir, and the First Baptist Church Puppet Team. Other Activities: Balloons, Face Painting, Mascots, Puppets. Cost, \$4.00 per person or \$12.00 per family. Proceeds will benefit the Children and Youth Ministry.