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The West End Blog (W.E.B.)

Interested in what is going on in the neighborhood between newsletters? Sign onto the West End Blog where you can find neighborhood links, neighborhood watch updates, recommendations of services, and special events. Interact with other West Enders by leaving your comments. www.westendneighbors.blogspot.com

West End Listsery is a Yahoo Group:

Join the West End Listserv to receive neighborhood crime alerts as they are reported, events in and around the West End, Neighborhood Socials, discuss hot topics with other West Enders and get other important news between monthly newsletters. Also receive an electronic copy of the monthly newsletter with active links. Please send an e-mail to thewestender@vahoo.com to be added to this group.

Linked In?

If you use the networking service Linked In, you can join the West End Association Group. Please send an e-mail to thewestender@yahoo.com and we will send you the link to join.

Service Bulletin Board on Blog

We would like to have a service bulletin board on our blog. Do recommend a plumber, a painter, or a contractor? Do you have a babysitter that you recommend or someone who does lawn service? If you are willing to share his/her name, we would like to put their names and contact information on the blog for neighbors to reference.

Neighborhood Watch:

We would like to get as many neighbors as possible involved in a Neighborhood Watch. Please get to know your neighbors and help keep crime down in our neighborhood. If you see any suspicious activity in the neighborhood, call 911 and report it. If you are going out of town, have your neighbors keep an eye on your house, have you newspaper and mail put on hold and set your alarms. Let's keep our neighborhood free of crime this holiday season. Please e-mail thewestender@yahoo.com if you are willing to be a block captain for your block.

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Have a wonderful and safe holiday season!

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Saturday Morning Orientations for All Volunteers:

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December 2008

Don't Miss the Historic West End Holiday Tour on Sunday, December 14, from 12-5pm

If you're looking for a special time this holiday season, at a great value, the Historic West End

Holiday Tour is for you. A \$12 advance ticket will open the doors to twelve beautiful diverse

historic properties in and around the West End Historic District, Winston's first suburb. For a

Call your friends and neighbors now and invite them to join you for an unforgettable holiday

House (1921), one of the fabulous properties on the tour, now home to Idlewild House and

House, on the downtown edge of the West End Historic District. This beautiful old

few properties that remain in the area of Winston formerly known as Millionaires' Row.

experience. Advance tickets are available at West End restaurants and at the Kerner E. Shore

Tour Headquarters: For the first time ever, Headquarters for the tour will be at the Bahnson

house, located across from the Central Library at the corner of 5th and Spring Sts, is one of the

On Tour Day, December 14 from 12-5, the Bahnson House will be our Visitors' Center, where

holiday decorations, purchase luminaires for your home, and learn about the West End -- its

past and present. Refreshments and restrooms will be available at the Russell Agency next

The Bahnson House, built in 1919, and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is

and Wachovia Real Estate Trust and in collaboration. with Forsyth County's new historic

So that you can be the best volunteer you can be, an orientation will be presented a week

orientation will be held from 8:45 to 11 a.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 520 Summit St.,

The 12 host properties are invited to have short meetings to orient their own docents/ volunteers at 11 a.m. -- immediately following the general orientation. Volunteers are still needed and

welcome -- as drivers, docents, party planners, on the HQ team, and to help in many capacities

on tour day. To volunteer, email Laura Elliott at lelliott879@gmail.com or Catherine Hendren at

A Thank You Party for hosts and volunteers will be on Sunday after the tour, from 5:30-7:30pm

before the tour for all tour volunteers and hosts. On Saturday, December 6, a general

followed by house meetings at 11 a.m. at the property where you are volunteering.

made available for the tour through the generosity of the Winston-Salem Foundation

you can buy tour tickets for \$15, catch a tour bus, pick up a tour brochure, enjoy live music and

sneak preview of the places you'll see, please visit www.preservehistoricforsyth.org or

Upcoming WEA meetings:

- Dec. No meeting
- Jan. 13 (Board & General)
- Feb. 10 (General) **Annual Meeting**

All general meetings will be held on the **second** Tuesday of the month in the West End Room at the Central YMCA Time: 7:00- 8:45pm

The WEA Board meets on the second Tuesday of oddnumbered months at 7pm. The Board Meetings are open to all WEA members and board meeting locations will be E-mailed to all WEA members.

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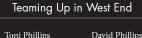
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A Letter from the Vice-President

Hello Neighbors,

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. Just a guick reminder that if you are planning to do any exterior work on your property in the New Year, don't forget to apply for permission from the Historic Resources Commission. LeAnn Pegram and the rest of the staff are extremely helpful. And remember it's always easier to ask for permission than forgiveness! Although you don't have to get approval to paint, don't forget that original brickwork or stonework should not be painted. For more information, or to get a copy of the West End Historic Overview Design Review Guidelines, go to their website:

http://www.cityofws.org/Home/Departments/Planning/HistoricResourcesCommission

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time in 2008. Although there are too many people to mention by name (Kristin, Amy, Timo, Sally, George, Toni, Laura, and Catherine, to name a few) I would like to say a special thank you to Susan Morris for all the incredible work she does for our neighborhood association. From editing the newsletter, to organizing socials, Susan is the most committed and motivated neighbor anyone could hope for. Thanks Susan, from the West End board and all your lucky neighbors.

Clare Fader, West End Association Vice President

Neighborhood Leaf Pickup:

In preparation for making our neighborhood ready for the West End Holiday Tour, the city will be doing a leaf pickup on Saturday, December 13th. Please have all leaves at the curb by Saturday so that the city crews are able to get them up in time for the tour.

Lighting Up the West End for the Holiday Tour and on Christmas Eve

Buena Vista has been lighting up their neighborhood for years with luminaries purchased from the Ronald Mc Donald House. This year, it is our goal to light up the streets of West End for two nights. You can purchase your luminaries at the start of the Holiday home tour from noon-3pm at the Bahnson House. If you are unable to attend the tour this year, you can send an e-mail to thewestender@yahoo.com and we will order your luminaries for you, to be delivered on the day of the home tour.

The Light a Luminary Project provides about 15% of the annual operating budget for the Ronald McDonald House of Winston-Salem. 2008 is the 22nd year of the project. 100% of the proceeds raised through the Friends of the Ronald McDonald House luminary sale go to the House. Because of the ban on outdoor burning in 2007, they are hoping to double their goal this year to make up for their loss last year.

Since opening in 1984 the Ronald McDonald House in Winston-Salem has been a refuge to thousands of families. The Ronald McDonald House offers a warm, welcoming place for these families to stay, complete with a kitchen, laundry facilities, and playrooms for children and teens. Illuminate our neighborhood while supporting a great cause.

Save the Date(s):

Reminder: There will not be a December West End Association Meeting. Please join us for the meetings in January and our annual meeting in February.

Third Thursday West End Social Thursday, December 18th from 6pm-9pm at Caffe Prada. Please join us for a nice evening meeting neighbors.

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Events in and around the West End:

Santa in the Park

Saturday, December 6th 11am – 2pm, Grace Court (Glade and Fourth Streets) Our dear friends and neighbors at Leonard, Ryden, and Burr are hosting a fun ,family day at Grace Court. Bring your pets and/or children to have free photos taken with Santa.

W-S Jaycees Christmas Parade and City Christmas Tree Lighting Saturday, December 6th

Parade: 5 p.m., at the corner of Poplar and 4th Streets. Ends at Corpening Plaza. Tree Lighting: 6:30 p.m., Corpening Plaza, corner of Liberty and 1st Streets.

The Children's Home Community Tree Lighting Sunday, December 7th at 6pm on the Children's Home Campus, 1001 Reynolda Road.

Please join the Children's Home for their annual tree lighting and lighting of the nativity scene on Reynolda Rd. – the longest continuously lit tree in Forsyth County.

Following the lighting there will be hot cider, strolling singers, animals to pet while folks await hay rides up the Children's Home campus to see the Grinch, Santa, and finally the live nativity at the manager with a visit by the three Wise men. We hope that you can attend this magnificent event. There will be buses for those unable or preferring to view the Nativity while in the comfort of sitting.

West End Neighborhood Clean-up

Saturday, December 13th 12pm-3pm

Please join us for a neighborhood cleanup before the holiday home tour. Meet at the parking lot next to the Tennis Courts in Hanes Park at noon. Please bring gloves, rakes, and other gardening tools you think you may need.

"A Christmas Memory" starring Robin Voiers Saturday, December 13th 5pm at Reynolda House

Long-time West End resident, Robin Voiers, will present her one-woman show of "A Christmas Memory." Directed by her husband/gardner, Bill, the story is the tender remembrance of Truman Capotes childhood holiday adventures with Miss Svok, an aging and distant cousin. The performance is perfect for the whole family, from 10 years to 90+. A warm and inspiring Christmas treat. Call Reynolda House for more information.

West End Luminary Sale

Sunday, December 14th, 12pm-3pm at the Bahnson House, the starting point of the West **End Holiday Tour**

West End Holiday Tour

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