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The West End Association Web Site
We are actively working on making the West End Neighborhood Web site even better. Please visit www.historicwestend.org information about our neighborhood's history, maps, links and membership information. Do you have pictures that you have taken in the West End that you would like to share? Your photo may be featured on the Web site. Please e-mail pictures to thewestender@yahoo.com

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 Listserv is now a Yahoo Group:
Join the West End Listserv to receive neighborhood crime alerts as they are reported, weekly 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@yahoo.com to be added to this group.

Be a part of the solution
Have an Idea that will help make our neighborhood a better place to live, work or play? E-mail us with your ideas. New committees are forming soon.

New West Enders?
Are you new to the neighborhood or do you have a new neighbor? Let us know so we can welcome our new neighbors in our next newsletter.

Your Association at Work
The West End Association is working to make the neighborhood a better place to live, work and play. Current projects that the WEA is working on:

- Planning for the 30th anniversary of the West End Home Tour- December 14th, 2008
- Planning Neighborhood Watch meetings and forming watch groups
- Neighborhood beautification
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The West Ender

By and for the West End Neighborhood

June 2008

West End Meeting Schedules are Changing!

After the scheduled meeting on June 3rd, the schedule for future general meetings and board meetings will be changing to allow more people to attend. The new schedule will have general meetings, open to everyone in the neighborhood, on the second Tuesday of even-numbered months. Board meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of odd-numbered months. Please note the dates on your calendars so that you will be able to attend. We often have guest speakers at our general meetings talking about issues that affect our neighborhood. We would like to have more people from the neighborhood attend the general meetings so that these speakers can reach a larger audience.

Board meetings are open to all West End Members. If you have an issue that you would like to bring before the board or that you would like the board to discuss, please e-mail thewestender@yahoo.com at least one week in advance of the next board meeting.

June 3rd Agenda Topics:

- Baseball stadium update and information about tickets
- Eric Elliott will present designs that incorporate art with bridge construction
- West End Fourth of July Picnic
- Committee Reports
- Membership Update

Upcoming WEA meetings:

- June 3rd (General)
- July 8th (Board)
- Aug 12 (General)

All general meetings will be held in the West End Room at the Central YMCA
Time: 7:00- 8:45pm

The WEA Board meets on the second Tuesday of odd-numbered 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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West End's Fourth of July Celebration

Join your friends and neighbors for the annual West End Potluck Picnic in the Park! The West End will provide chicken and the paper products and you can bring your favorite salad, side, or dessert.

Where: Downtown Park (100 block of West End Blvd)
Date: Friday, July 4th
Time: 11:00am- 2:00pm

See old friends and meet new neighbors. Fun for all ages so bring the family!

If you would like to become a member of the West End Association while you are at the picnic, please bring a $15 check made out to the West End Association. (You do not need to be a member of the association to attend the picnic but we would love to have you join.)

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Letter from the President

Howdy Neighbors,

Spring has sprung in the West End, ain't it grand? The flowers are blooming as the flora's verdant triumph over the doldrums of winter. As a newcomer and walking enthusiast, it is such a joy to wander about and take in the diverse landscape that the West End offers. I am particularly struck by the themes that seem to play out in different yards again and again. Thanks for everyone's planning and hard work, the neighborhood looks fantastic!

I also want to remind everyone to show up at 7:00 pm on June 3rd for our monthly meeting because we have some interesting presentations: a representative of the downtown baseball stadium will discuss how that project is going. We are excited to have Kevin Terry and CJ Johnson speak. They will outline all the amenities at the new ballpark and discuss Mandalay Baseball Properties and their different approach to ticket packages and marketing for their teams.

If there are any technical questions about the stadium or questions related to the surrounding area and the development in general, please email those to ellisboyle34@yahoo.com beforehand so he can forward them along to CJ and Kevin before the meeting. It should be a good opportunity to hear about the exciting new developments with the stadium, so let's get a good turn out!
Also, our very own Eric Elliot will talk to us about his ideas with the how the bridges across Business 40 might be beautified in the future. I hope to see you there!

Ellis Boyle, WEA President

Twin City Diner Reopens with a New Look and Menu

A landmark Winston-Salem restaurant since 1988, Twin City Diner reopened in April after undergoing extensive interior renovations. As part of the building renovation process, Twin City Diner also introduced a new logo and menu.

Twin City Diner has new tables, chairs, flooring, wall coverings and features historic images of Winston-Salem in a reconfigured dining space. Interior design was done by Alexander, Cook & Co. The restaurant also now has a smoke-free dining area. Twin City Diner's bar area was enlarged to accommodate guests who smoke but features a state-of-the-art ventilation system.

Chris Karahalios, owner of Twin City Diner said. "The result is a dining room that has a warmer feeling and is very family friendly. At the same time, we maintained the heritage of the restaurant as a great place for business luncheons and late night."

Karahalios said that new Twin City Diner menu includes a number of new entrees, salads and sandwiches but also keeps the traditional favorites. "We always will have our customer favorites like Gus's Burger and Hash Brown Potato Casserole but thought it was time to add new items to the menu," he said.

Twin City Diner is celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2008. Located at 1425 West First Street in Winston-Salem, Twin City Diner features casual dining room and sophisticated bar areas for family dining, business meetings and late night gatherings. Twin City Diner is open for lunch, dinner and late night seven days a week. For more information, call 336.724.4203.

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New Developments in the West End

There are three exciting new projects underway in the West End. The old Quality Oil gas station at **901 Reynolda Road** (at the corner of North West Boulevard) is also in the midst of a renovation. David Shannon of JDL Castle Corp. purchased the building and is converting it to retail and office space, and perhaps even a restaurant (wouldn't that be great?!). The building dates from 1938 and was originally covered in white ceramic tile with chrome trim. Shannon plans to replicate the original look using white stucco and chrome.

In addition to the retail and office space, the Winston-Salem Theatre Alliance will be occupying the space where the rear garage bays are located. Andrew Lopina, VP of the Alliance said that the new theater will seat 100 people and will allow the Theater Alliance to expand their program from five shows and add staged readings, community events, and other special events.

Sam Ogburn Jr. of Ogburn Properties, has started a major renovation of the apartments at **1310 Brookstown Avenue**. The building, which was built in 1772, has already been painted. The plans include wrought iron railings and shutters. The goal is to give the building a look more appropriate for a historic neighborhood. Ogburn also plans to do some extensive landscaping around the property.

Finally, the Home Builders Association of Winston-Salem is building a home for October Parade of Homes on an empty lot in the **600 block of Jersey Avenue.** The house will be craftsman in style and will have an energy star rating. Richard Alexander is the builder. For more information about the project, contact Clare Fader at cfader@lrbrealestate.com

Clare Fader, WEA Vice President

Thank You to the Neighborhood Clean up Crew!

Thank you to the six people that participated in the neighborhood clean up on May 17th. The group was small, but mighty, as they cleaned pedestrian areas for all neighbors to enjoy. We appreciate their efforts and hope to get a larger group to volunteer in the fall.

The West End Association Needs Volunteers/Committee Members:

Share your interests with others in the neighborhood by volunteering to be on one (or more) of the West End Association's Committees:

- 2008 Holiday Home Tour- Homes for the tour and steering committee members needed
- Neighborhood Safety Committee- Block Captains and neighbors willing to participate
- Traffic Committee- Neighbors interested in discussing speeding/traffic issues
- Volunteers Needed: Substitute delivery persons to deliver the West End Newsletter
- Volunteers needed for the Fourth of July Picnic

If you are interested in forming other neighborhood groups that benefit the neighborhood, please feel free to discuss your ideas at any of the monthly neighborhood meetings, held the first Tuesday of each month, or post your ideas on the West End Listserv (details about joining the Listserv is in the Communications section, on the back page).

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