The West Ender

By and for the West End Neighborhood

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January-February 2018

Upcoming Events

West End Association Meetings
4th Tuesdays at 6:00PM
Next: Jan 23, 2018
West End Room
William G. White YMCA
775 W End Blvd, Winston-Salem, NC

Historic Resources Commission Meetings
1st Wednesdays at 4:00 PM
Next: Feb. 7
Bryce A. Stuart Municipal Building Room 530
Winston-Salem, NC

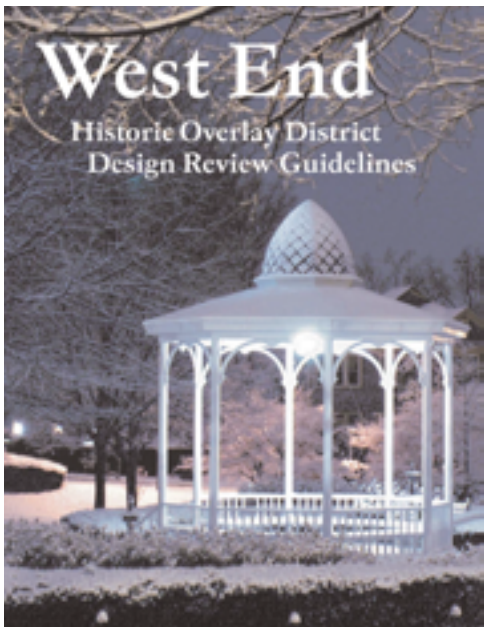
Certificate of Appropriateness Applications
Submittal deadline no later than 5:00PM the 2nd Wednesday of the month before the next HRC meeting.

West End Collections
Garbage & Yard Waste
Thursdays, weekly
Recycling (Blue bins)
Every 2nd Monday:
Jan. 29, Feb. 12, 26

Please do not store collection carts at the curb.
Place them at the curb no sooner that 6PM the day before collection and remove from the street by 8AM the next day. City code requirement.

Planning to Install Satellite TV?
Satellite dishes must NOT be visible from the street. Call the staff of the Historic Resources Commission for advice BEFORE work begins: (336) 747-7054.

Congratulations Michelle McCullough!



by Mark Lively

Michelle McCullough received the Architectural Advocate Award from the Winston-Salem chapter of the American Institute of Architects at their December Design Awards Gala. This prestigious award is given to local non-architects whose work greatly improves the built environment of Forsyth County. Michelle is a project planner in the Winston-Salem City-County Planning department where she supports the work of the Forsyth County Historic Resources Commission (HRC). The West End Association congratulates Michelle and thanks her for her dedicated work on behalf of histroic preservation in Forsyth County.

Michelle and her fellow planners review applications for Certificates of Appropriateness before presenting them to the HRC commissioners. They collect information about proposed projects and make informed recommendations to the HRC commissioners. The primary activity of the HRC is "administration of Forsyth County's locally-zoned historic districts. The HRC is given the authority to review and approve exterior changes to properties located within the boundaries of these districts, which to date consist of the Old Salem Historic District, the Bethabara Historic District, and the West End Historic Overlay District."

Michelle also advises property owners about proposed changes. Every West End owner considering making exterior repairs or renovations to their property should consult with Michelle and her fellow HRC staff members during the planning process before any work is started. Doing so can provide valuable suggestions that can assist property owners to plan changes in compliance with the historic district requirements.

The AIA award recognizes the important work that Michelle is doing to promote the preservation of historical architecture in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County. She can be reached by email: michellem@cityofws.org. More information about the HRC is available on the City web site:

http://www.cityofws.org/Departments/Planning/Historic-Resources/Historic-Resources-Commission/

West End Association Board Elections Feb. 27, 2018

The West End Association is one of the oldest nonprofit neighborhood associations in North Carolina. It was founded in 1969 to protect the neighborhood's future when a planned freeway was proposed to bisect Hanes Park. Board members contribute to efforts to insure that our neighborhood continues to thrive in the future.

Nominations are currently open for new board members. Board members must be current members of the WEA. The commitment is for two years. **Please contact John Merschel** – nomination committee chair at wjam@triad.rr.com or 336-413-4483. Bylaws are available at http://historicwestend.org/. No previous experience is required, only the willingness to work to help keep our neighborhood a great place to live.

Possible New Development at West Fourth and Green Streets

As reported in the July 2017 issue of The West Ender, construction had begun on West End Station, a 229-unit apartment community. Construction has been ongoing since last summer but does not include a small parcel of land at the corner of West Fourth Street and Green Street. John Reece of Commercial Realty Advisors recently shared tentative plans for a new mixed use development being considered for this location. Mr. Reece is conducting a market feasibility study and emphasizes that he has not yet finalized plans for this project. He has been meeting with members of the community to get our input.

The current plan involves building approximately 10,000 square feet of retail and/or restaurant space fronting on Fourth Street. The remainder of the building would house approximately 75,000 square feet of climate controlled multi-level self-storage space. Access to the self-storage area would be via a parking lot in the back of building. The artist's rendering shown at below (looking across Fourth St. toward Green St.) depicts a restaurant space on the corner of the building with outside seating on the street level and on the balcony above. Two other spaces fronting on Fourth Street are intended for retail use. Contact Mr. Reece for additional information: John@commercialRealtyNC.com.

Hanes Park Community Volunteers

by Bibi Coyne

Bond-funded repairs and renovations to Hanes Park should begin in early spring (see next page). Working with interested park neighbors, City Council Member Jeff Macintosh has encouraged the formation of a community group that will work closely with City Staff to help to maintain the park. Hanes Park Community Volunteers (HPCV) is a newly formed community partnership between citizens and the City of Winston-Salem that provides an opportunity for the community to demonstrate pride in their local park.

The main focus of HPCV is to preserve and protect the beauty of Hanes Park through upkeep and beautification. After receiving proper training from City staff, participants will engage in activities such as planting, pruning, invasive plant control, and removal of litter and fallen brush and debris. Participants will also have a vital proactive role in reporting vandalism and potentially hazardous/unsafe conditions that they observe. A few dedicated volunteers willing to assist with leadership and communication are needed. Help is especially needed with maintaining the website and social media presence.

Join Hanes Park Community Volunteers (HPCV) and experience the gratification of making a difference. To get involved, please use one of the following contact sources:

Website: **HanesParkVolunteers.org**

Facebook: **www.facebook.com/HanesParkCV/**

Women's March 20 Jan 2018

January 21, 2017 was a monumental day in history when millions of women around the world came together to demonstrate our desire to make the world a place that is equitable, tolerant, just and safe for all. One year later we are wiser and stronger and we have been watching.

One year later we march again to prove to our elected representatives that we have not forgotten the promises we made to ourselves and to them. If they will not take the steps to ensure basic human rights and dignity, then we will elect new representatives who will. We will celebrate the voices and victories of the past year and unite to focus on the 2018 elections and beyond.

Please join us on **Corpening Plaza in downtown Winston Salem at 12:00 PM on January 20, 2018.** We are in the initial planning stages, but you can expect to hear from some amazing speakers, meet the candidates who are running for office, and learn how you can get involved in the political process.

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West End Neighborhood News

Hanes Park Repair and Renovations

The Hanes Park Repair and Renovation Plan – Phase I was approved by the Historic Resources Commission on March 1. As Ash Miller, EVP of MLA, reported in early December, they were "in the process of obtaining the required permits from the state and city." The final permits were obtained just before Christmas. Work is set to begin in early spring, assuming the bid process only takes 2-3 months.

Grace Court Wall Replacement

Officials with the Winston-Salem Department of Recreation and Parks met with members of the West End Association at our July meeting to present their initial plans for replacement of the brick wall that was removed from the north end of Grace Court Park. Work began on the project in December. A construction crew has rebuilt the brick entrance wall on the Fourth Street side that was damaged during removal of the old wall. The same crew will build a granite curb along the driveway that connects 4th and 5th Streets using new granite curbing obtained in Mt. Airy. The granite curbing will be similar to the historic granite curbs seen throughout the West End neighborhood. To plan is to install it with an eight inch high exposure to provide an effective barrier for rainwater runoff from the driveway. Additional work will include new landscaping planted along the curb to provide a green barrier between the park and the office buildings on the other side.

Spring Park Erosion Control

Keith Huff, Winston-Salem Director of Stormwater/Erosion Control, and his staff continue city efforts to repair the erosion damage between Sixth Street and Spring Park in the 200 and 300 blocks of West End Blvd. Mr. Huff sent the following update on 11 Jan.

"Advances in the project are as follows: 1) We have been informed by the attorney for the 6th Street Apartment complex that his client has signed the agreement and will deliver to the City ASAP. 2) With a contract soon to be in place, we are working toward obtaining parking permits for the apartment complex tenants. 3) When the agreements and easements have been received and executed we can then apply for land disturbing permits with NCDENR [North Carolina Department of Environment and natural Resources]. This is the only outstanding permit needed that we couldn't apply for until we had land rights. The City will pay for an expedited permit. 4) Contracted forces are still awaiting the start of the project." [Note: Mr. Huff has been recently given new responsibilities. His new title is Traffic Field Operations Director.]

Reminder: West End neighbor Richard Atwood is gathering historical information about "Springs Park", as the park was once known. If you have information and especially historical photos of Spring Park, please contact us at thewestender@yahoo.com.

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