



The West Ender

By and for the West End Neighborhood

UPCOMING EVENTS

West End Association Meetings

4th Tuesdays at 6:00PM
Next: May 28, 2019
West End Room
William G. White YMCA
775 W End Blvd, Winston-Salem

Historic Resources Commission Meetings

1st Wednesdays at 4:00 PM
Next: June 5
Bryce A. Stuart Municipal Building Room 530
Winston-Salem
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:
May 6 & 20, June 3 & 17

Bulky Item Pickup 2019

The annual City bulky item pickup comes to West End in June. Our neighborhood is divided into two areas. Addresses on the **south side of Brookstown Ave** (toward Business 40) will be serviced the **week of June 17**. Pick up for addresses **north of Brookstown** will be during the **week of June 24**.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2019!

Renew your West End Membership Today! Details at historicwestend.org

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Beulah Lathers & James Nelson Weeks Houses

The third in a series by Margaret Supplee Smith

When James Weeks and Beulah Lathers were growing up in Canajoharie, a small town in upstate New York near the Erie Canal, neither of them could have anticipated that they would one day move to the Southern city of Winston-Salem, or that "Mr. Jim" Weeks would play a key role for more than 40 years in the success of the Hanes Hosiery Company. Or that they would build two iconic houses in the city's premiere suburbs

Ambitious, amiable, and good with numbers, Weeks came South in 1915 as a consultant to set up a cost and management system for the hosiery mill of James G. Hanes, who was so impressed with Week's work that he asked him to stay.

The Weekses first rented a cottage at 409 West First Street (extant) not far from the Shamrock Mills hosiery plant (current Sawtooth School for Visual Art). In 1917, they hired prominent local architect C. Gilbert Humphreys to design their new house at 1249 West Fourth Street on the streetcar line in the West End. Part cottage, part bungalow, the shingled Craftsman-style house has battered (sloping) walls and a plethora of distinctive gables. The Weekses soon had three daughters. By 1925, Weeks was company vice-president; by 1938, president.

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The 1917 Beulah Lathers and James Nelson Weeks house in West End at 1249 West Fourth St.

Photo by Jackson Smith, 2019



Beulah Lathers & James Nelson Weeks Houses, from pg. 1

Architect Harold Macklin lived a few doors up the hill, and Weeks asked him to design a house in the new suburb of Buena Vista. Macklin recommended a young architect, William Roy Wallace, who was available and would do a good job. The right-hand man and partner (1924-28) of Reynolda's architect, Charles Barton Keen, Wallace had made it possible for Keen to juggle concurrent practices in Winston-Salem and Philadelphia.

The Georgian Revival house Wallace designed for Weeks in 1928 was one of the first solely under his own name and is impressive. Its clapboarded second story overhangs the whitewashed stone first floor, and a broken scroll pediment surmounts the front entrance. The house sits on almost 2 acres landscaped by Philadelphian Robert B. Cridland. From Jim Weeks' meticulous records, we know his friend Frank L. Blum built the house for \$40,790, and the total cost was \$106,886.

The Weeks family planned a house-warming for October 1929—despite the Stock Market Crash, their daughter Molly Weeks Johnson thinks they went ahead and had the party.



The 1928 Beulah Lathers and James Nelson Weeks house in Buena Vista at 2025 Virginia Road.

Photo by Jackson Smith, 2019



West Enders! Join your neighbors for a night at the ballpark! Thursday, June 20, 7PM,

Winston-Salem Dash vs. Lynchburg Hillcats

Tickets are FREE for West End Association members. If you're not in the WEA, you can change that for the crazy low price of \$20 per household, be part of what's going on all year, and grab your free tickets!

Visit historicwestend.org to join Now!

Tickets are LIMITED so reserve your seats NOW by emailing Dan Bradley (dbradley@triad.rr.com) with subject "West End Dash." Include your name & address and the number of tickets that you'd like. **Non-members:** tickets are \$10 each. We'll accept mail orders that reach us by June 15. Make a check out to "West End Association" and mail to Dash Night, West End Association, PO Box 21054, Winston-Salem, NC 27120-1054.

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Shattered Dream – Colony Urban Farm Store Closing May 31



Story and photos by Mark Lively

Three years after first opening Colony Urban Farm, Josh Pietrafeso has announced that his store will close its doors on May 31. A staunch advocate for local producers and farmers, Josh is disappointed to have to close one of the few outlets for their products. Colony is dedicated to the philosophy that "your food supply should come from known sources or be grown at home." The store has a unique honey tasting bar, sells supplies for bee keeping and urban farming, and offers local foods and products supplied by local entrepreneurs.



Colony's elegant storefront window was recently broken by vandals using a BB gun, as with other downtown stores the same night.

Colony was prematurely displaced from its first location on Reynolda Rd. (between Buena Vista and Robinhood Roads) when that building was sold in 2017. Josh reopened his store in the historic 1928 Summit Street Pharmacy building at 490 West End Blvd. in December 2017. Since arriving in the West End, Colony has attracted a supportive group of customers. Factors including difficult maintenance issues in the 91 year old building and competition from much larger retailers have sealed the fate of this urban experiment.

Josh will move his honey business to a location with a very logical name: the Twin City Hive Coffee Lounge located at 301 Brookstown Ave. The West Ender wishes him success in his new location and in his future efforts to promote all things locavore.

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 West End Historic District (Winston-Salem, NC)

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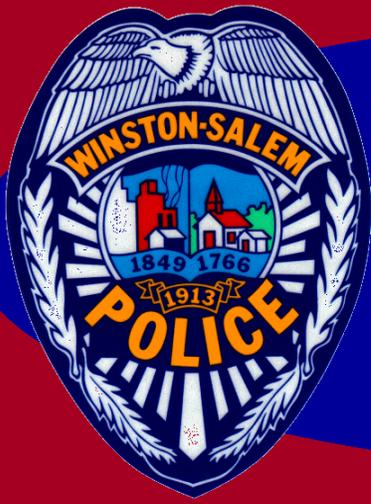
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Reporting Suspicious Activity (336) 773-7700

You ARE our eyes and ears!

Lets Face It...

The population in 2010 for the City of Winston-Salem was estimated at 229,617 people. The current number of sworn police officers today is about 560. That's about 410 citizens to one police officer. This is why the police need your help. Regrettably, the police can not be on every street corner every second of the day. For that reason, it is extremely important that you report any and all suspicious activity to the police as soon as possible.

What is Suspicious Activity

Suspicious activity is something that does not fit in. It is something that catches your attention. It is something that does not normally occur in your neighborhood. It could be someone looking into windows, someone removing items from a house under construction, etc. If you see such activity, call the police as soon as possible.

Go with that gut feeling

Understand everyone may have a different feeling about suspicious activity. Use your intuition. If you ask yourself "should I call the police?" go ahead and give us a call.

Reporting Information

When reporting suspicious activity do so through our non-emergency number (336) 773-7700 or through 911. Please remember to include your name and phone number when calling in. By doing this, it will allow an officer to re-contact you if we need further information. While you can remain anonymous, it could limit our ability to fully investigate your call.

Other Important Phone Numbers

Crime Stoppers	Victim's Assistance
(336) 727-2800	(336) 773-7860
Spanish Line	Field Services Bureau
(336) 728-3904	(336) 773-7800

Suspicious Sounds

In addition to things that you see, remember what you hear.

- Screaming
- Yelling for help
- Gun Shots
- Prying, pounding, forcing sounds
- Breaking Glass
- Alarms
- Someone being hit or beaten

Describing a Vehicle

When calling to report a suspicious vehicle please include the following:

- Make
- Model
- Year
- Color
- Style (2 Door, 4 Door, Van, SUV)
- Tag Number
- Identifying Marks (Body Damage, Bumper Stickers, Broken Lights)

Describing a Person

When calling to report a suspicious person please include the following:

- Height
- Weight (Body Build, Posture)
- Clothing Description (Hat, Gloves, Mask, Shoes)
- Facial Hair
- Scars, Marks, or Tattoos
- Weapon use (Handgun, Pistol, Long Gun, Shotgun)
- Other Identifiers (Limping, Spoke with Accent, etc.)