



The West Ender

By and for the West End Neighborhood

UPCOMING EVENTS

West End Association Meetings

Normally 4th Tuesdays at 6:00PM
West End Room
William G. White YMCA
775 W End Blvd, Winston-Salem
Next Meeting
26 May by Video Conference

Historic Resources Commission Meetings

1st Wednesdays at 4:00 pm
Next: All HRC meetings are CANCELLED until further notice. See page 3 of this issue for details.

West End Collections

Garbage & Yard Waste
Thursdays, weekly.

Blue Bin Recycling Red Zone,
every other Monday.
May 18, June 1, 18, & 29

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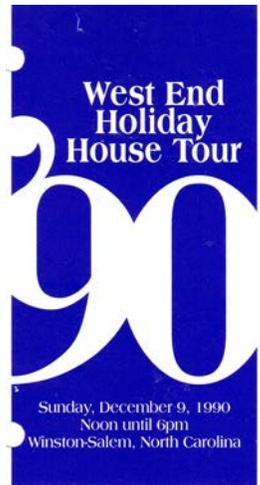
2020 Holiday Homes Tour POSTPONED

For the first time in 44 years, the Holiday Homes Tour sponsored by the West End Association will not take place on schedule. The tour is a highly anticipated event in Winston-Salem that has been presented every two years since 1976, a 42 year run without interruption. Even the historic snowstorm on the day of the 2018 tour did not stop us - the tour was postponed to the following weekend. The tour typically draws more than 600 visitors from Winston-Salem and the Piedmont Triad region to the West End Historic District. Tour guests visit outstanding examples of historic architecture and style from the early 20th century in eight to ten private homes decorated for the holidays.

Planning for the 2020 tour was already underway when the coronavirus pandemic began. While it is not possible to predict the extent to which the pandemic will continue to impact our lives in December, there is sufficient reason to believe that the potential for community transmission of the coronavirus will still be significant at that time. The large number of people who typically take part in the tour would be put at risk for infection. We are particularly concerned about the potential exposure of our many volunteers, the families of homeowners of the tour homes, and guests.

Out of concern to protect homeowners, volunteers, and tour guests, the West End Association board voted unanimously at the April 2020 meeting to postpone the 2020 tour until December 2021.

Planning for the 2021 tour will start again in the Fall 2020. West End neighbors who would like to help should contact us: thewestender@yahoo.com



30 Years Ago - Ticket from the 1990 Homes Tour

West End Holiday House Tour '92



Sunday, December 6
noon - 6 p.m.
Winston-Salem, NC

Next West End Association Meeting, 6PM, May 26, 2020 BY VIDEO CONFERENCE

Details to be published on the WEA list serv.
Members will receive instructions by email.

ALL West Enders are Welcome

Our usual meeting space in the William G. White YMCA is not available because the YMCA is closed during the coronavirus pandemic. The statewide ban on gatherings of more than 10 people necessitated holding our March and April meetings by video conference. The May 26 meeting will also be held by video conference and all West End neighbors are invited to attend. Details for connecting are being determined and will be released a few days prior to the meeting.



Meet Your Newly Elected West End Board

New officers and board members were elected at the annual meeting of the West End Association on February 25. The new officers are: President - Breonte Guy; President-Elect - Victoria Goral; New Board Members – Peter Kramer, Michael and Kimberly Wiseman. George Bryan was re-elected to a new term. The returning members of the board are: David Elam (Treasurer), Jan and Jake Wharton (Secretary) and members Dan Bradley, Kevin Goral, Matt Early, and Frank Johnson. Board member Victoria was elected to the position of President-Elect. Her husband Kevin retains the board seat.

Messages from the Board

Breonte Guy

Hello Neighbors, my name is Breonte Guy, and I am your new President of the West End Association. My husband, Matt Early, is also an active board member. He chairs the WEA Neighborhood Watch committee. We moved to Winston-Salem in the late summer of 2014 and fell in love with this charming city and the West End neighborhood. We were married on the front porch of our 4th street



home on October 10th of 2015. Although we had only lived in this community a short time and were still getting to know our neighbors, many of them helped to make that day magical. We experienced many demonstrations of kindness after moving to the West End, so we have chosen to be of service to this neighborhood and its citizens. Many of you will more easily recognize us by our pets. Our Chow Chows Belle, Big, and Kitten tend to get lots of attention on our daily walks. We capitalize on this by turning spontaneous doggie meet-and-greets into opportunities to chat with our neighbors and to get a feel for their neighborhood concerns. One such interaction led us to our first WEA board meeting in 2017. That meeting centered on the Business 40 upgrades, which we were keenly interested in because our home sits in the thick of construction. At that meeting, we met others who cared as much about the neighborhood as we did and watched them diligently working toward preserving the neighborhood's historic character and charm.

Over my past two years serving on the WEA board, I have learned more about why it is crucial for West

End residents to maintain the historic look and feel of our neighborhood. I also know that a well-informed, well-connected, and communal citizenry makes it easier to promote other neighborhood goals. To this end, I have proposed that we upgrade our digital presence online, which includes updates to our website and social media so that it will be easier for neighbors to connect with historic resources, neighborhood businesses, and events. We are looking into fun social activities that will bring our neighbors together once we are past the need to socially distance due to COVID-19. Hopefully, these events will welcome new residents and bring long-time residents closer together. We also want to connect renters with neighborhood resources and to get them more involved in WEA fun and business so that our neighborhood can truly be one community. These and other exciting new initiatives will require support from community members external to the board. I hope you will reach out.

Peter Kramer

After buying a West End home in 2012, I moved here full time in 2016. I enjoy cycling, working in the yard, and of course the many restoration projects that owning a 100-year old house offers. I love the city of Winston Salem and its community, hoping to contribute to keeping the West End beautiful and safe.



Kimberly and Michael Wiseman

We have been living in the West End since 2016. Michael works for Lowes Foods and Kimberly works for Wake Forest School of Medicine. You'll probably see them walking around the neighborhood with their dachshund Parker.



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Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Historic Resources



June 3, 2020, Historic Resources Commission Meeting CANCELLED.

The Historic Resources Commission meeting scheduled for June 3, 2020, has been canceled because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Check the Historic Resources website for updates on future meetings:

<https://www.cityofws.org/1431/Historic-Resources>

• **Complete Major Work Certificate of Appropriateness** applications received while the Planning Division Office is closed because of the COVID-19 pandemic will be scheduled for a hearing at a Historic Resources Commission meeting within 120 days of submission. Staff will contact you with a hearing date once the Office has reopened.

• **Minor Work Certificate of Appropriateness** are being accepted and reviewed by Staff. They can be emailed to the appropriate staff member, please see contact information below.

Commission staff are working from home, so if you have any questions please contact them via email or phone. Minor Work Certificate of Appropriateness can be emailed to the appropriate staff member at the address below.

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Revised Guidelines for the West End Historic Overlay PUBLIC HEARING

The public meeting planned for April 1 was CANCELLED due to office closures because of the Corona virus epidemic. Staff anticipates that the public hearing on revisions to the West End Historic Overlay Design Review Guidelines will occur at the first meeting of the HRC following the resumption of hearings.

<https://www.cityofws.org/1461/West-End-Historic-Overlay-Design-Review->

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