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**Notable Trees of the West End:
Autumn Foliage**



There is so much happening with the trees this month that I found it tough to decide which tree to write about. It seems they are all vying for our attention, and not just those changing colors. Although not the peak of the color season, late October is the perfect time of year to admire the diversity of trees in our area. The deciduous trees are in various states of coloring and shedding, making it easy to tell them apart. Even the evergreens are a rather striking species in the fall.

You needn't travel to the Blue Ridge Parkway to find the dazzling foliage. Our neighborhood offers all the delights. Hanes Park and Glade Street are particularly nice areas to take in the color. Some of the more noticeable yellows are found on the Poplar, Hickory, Ginkgo and Beech trees. In reds the Dogwoods are about as stunning as you can get with their bright red to burgundy leaves, shiny red berries and bloom buds set for next year. The show surpasses that of its actual blooms in the spring. We have trees like Maples and Sassafras, which can have yellow, reds, orange or all of the above. Then there are trees like Sweet Gum that wear every color from yellow to purple on the same tree. There is a Sweet Gum at Brunson, by the bridge closest to Glade Street on the side with the kickball field. My son calls it "the rainbow tree." I can't think of a better description. The trees are going dormant for the winter, which means now is a good time to plant them. Although their upper parts are shutting down, the roots continue to grow and develop through the winter. Trees planted now can be established by the onset of summer's hot, dry weather. Maybe that's why the trees are showing off. They are trying to show us their worth.

If you know of a notable tree that you think should be featured or would like more information, please contact Kevin Lindsey at 722-2881.

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West End Neighborhood Bulletin Board
Lucy Honeycutt, of 1215 Brookstown Ave., is recovering well from hip replacement surgery after a fall in her home. Her neighbors know she would be happy to hear from all well-wishers!

Do you have news to share with the neighborhood? A new neighbor next door? A birth? A birthday?
Please contact Andrea Thomas with notices for the bulletin board, 723-9893. Laowai99@aol.com

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HISTORIC WEST END HOLIDAY
Homes Tour

2002 Historic West End Holiday Homes Tour
Sunday, December 8, 2002
12:00 noon – 5:00 pm

Mark your calendar now! This biennial homes tour is a favorite event for Winston-Salem residents as well as guests from far and near, showcasing some of the beautiful and diverse homes that make the West End neighborhood such a jewel in the city. This year's tour, the 13th, is sponsored by the West End Association as a means of celebrating and sharing the neighborhood's heritage and preservation efforts with the wider community.

This year's tour will include eight homes built between 1900 and 1924, as well as the fully restored Hanes Mansion, currently used by the law firm Kilpatrick Stockton. The homes are located in all corners of the West End, from Spring Street on the neighborhood's eastern perimeter, to West First Street and all points in between.

Many thanks to the homeowners opening their homes for this year's tour:

- **Bill and Ansley Browning:** Glen-Angelo-Walker House at 800 West End Blvd
- **Brian and Cindy Clark:** Davis House at 660 North Spring St.
- **Phil Hammond and Sally Schumaker:** Crawford House at 1305 Clover St.
- **Mary Horan:** William Taylor, Jr. House at 1309 Clover St.
- **Ed and Jean Irvin:** Thomas J. Wilson House at 644 North Spring St.
- **Marc Lawrence:** Cottage at 906 Carolina Avenue
- **Lynn Murphy and Lynette Matthe ws-Murphy:** Smitherman-Mullen House at 1216 Brookstown Ave.
- **David and Toni Phillips:** Quadraplex at 1218 West First St.
- **Kilpatrick Stockton LLP:** Hanes Mansion at 1200 Glade St.

Come see the efforts of these homeowners to preserve and renovate their homes in the West End. Each home is an individual journey, with stories about its history, legends (true or false!), and decorating schemes that reflect the owner's tastes.

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A Letter From our Co-Presidents:

Through the efforts of some Association members, the West End Association purchased an original map and description used in the promotion of selling lots during the 1890's. Over 100 years later the hope of a grand community by the developers has been more than met – the West End is not only beautiful architecturally, but is a great neighborhood in which to live! We work hard each month arranging socials, advocating for zoning and preservation issues and developing long range plans for our neighborhood. The South Central Area Plan has recently been approved by the Planning Board and contains many of the strategies that we have written and planned for years within our Association. These plans will only become a reality if we push for them and encourage them to be used as the guide for the future of the West End.

This December we have the opportunity to showcase our neighborhood to the city, the state and the southeast. We need to appreciate the work we have done as we prepare for the biannual Homes Tour, realizing how much we have accomplished in preserving the West End and focusing on future goals. Visitors need to appreciate why we continue to advocate for better guidelines and firmer strategies for the future. We have much to share on the weekend of December 6-8th. Please decorate early so that the visitors can appreciate the beauty of all of our homes as they view your lights and wreaths. The Homes Tour is our major fundraiser and the money is invested back into our community to insure the preservation of the West End. Please be generous with your time – we need you to show houses, to help decorate, and to provide transportation from home to home. This year the Homes Tour will also showcase businesses and restaurants within the neighborhood. Invite friends over that Sunday to shop, to tour the homes and to eat within the West End. And, don't forget our Holiday Party the evening of the Tour on Sunday the 8th when we will celebrate the season of giving together.

On a more serious note, there have been many car break-ins in the West End in the last month. Please be vigilant, lock your car and report any suspicious activity to the police immediately!

George Bryan and Ann Doherty – co-presidents of the West End

Help the West End Get Ready for the 2002 Homes Tour!

On Sunday, December 8th, hundreds of guests will visit the West End for the 2002 Historic West End Holiday Homes Tour. This is our neighborhood's opportunity to show off, so please do all you can to make our beautiful community look its best. Here are some things you can do:

- Mow the yard
- Rake the leaves (We hope the city's final leaf pick-up before the Homes Tour will be early in the week of Dec. 2nd, so please make sure to have everything at the curb by then)
- Sweep the sidewalks
- Clean up any trash
- If you have a driveway, park your car in your drive on the day of the tour
- Clean the bikes, leftover Halloween pumpkins, Indian corn, and dead plants off your porches
- Decorate for the holidays!
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Advance tickets (\$10.00 each) will be available in November from the following businesses:

- Maria's (121 S. Stratford Rd.)
- Ollie's Bakery (305 W. Fourth St. and 300 S. Marshall St.)
- Snob Consignments (465 West End Blvd.)
- West End Café (926 W. Fourth St.)
- West End Video (434 West End Blvd)
- Whole Foods Market (41 Miller St.)

The Cicero Tise House at 952 West Fourth Street, across from Grace Court Park, will serve as the beginning of the tour on December 8th. Tickets can be purchased there on the day of the event (\$12.00 each); West End artists will display their works for sale; and refreshments courtesy of Starr Johnson will be offered to tour guests. Complimentary shuttles will be available, and many homes will feature live holiday musical performances.

In conjunction with the 2002 Historic West End Holiday Homes Tour, many area businesses will feature special events and hours on Sunday, December 8th. Make your plans now for the day in the West End. Enjoy an early brunch; tour beautiful homes; sample wines and snacks from West End businesses and restaurants; do a little holiday shopping; and end the day with a leisurely dinner at an area restaurant. Begin the holidays on a West End note! Stop by and enjoy the best of the West End!

These area businesses have announced special hours for December 8th:

- Cookie's Shabbytiques (Reynolda Rd): open 11am – 6pm
- Brookstown Antiques (1004 Brookstown Ave): open 1pm – 5pm
- Elizabeth's at Hanes Park (849 Reynolda Rd): open 10am – 6pm
- Finders Keepers (471 West End Blvd.): open 10am – 6pm
- Antiques by Patsy Dye (457 West End Blvd.): open 10am – 6pm
- Sculpture, etc (835 Burke St.): open 10am – 6pm
- West End Antiques (843 Reynolda Rd): open 1pm – 4pm

The following area restaurants and wine shops have announced special hours and events for December 8th:

- 4th Street Filling Station (871 W. Fourth St.): open for brunch, lunch and dinner from 10am – 9pm
- Camel City Café and Wine Bar (878 W. Fourth St.): open for dinner on December 8 from 5pm – 9pm
- City Beverage Wine Shoppe (915 Burke St.): will host a holiday wine tasting from 3pm – 7pm
- First Street Draught House (1500 W. First St.): open for brunch, lunch and dinner, 11am – 11pm
- Morning Dew Café (1047 Burke St): invites all Homes Tour guests to stop by their new location on Burke St., where they will be serving coffee, pastries, soups, and sandwiches from 10am – 7pm
- I Can't Believe It's Yogurt (Summit St and West End Blvd): open for frozen yogurt treats from 12:30pm – 9pm
- West End Opera House (853 Reynolda Rd): open for beer, wine and cocktails from 1pm – 2am
- West End Smoothies (1003 Brookstown Ave): will serve hot dogs and smoothies, 10am – 5pm
- West End Tap Room (472 West End Blvd): open for beer and wine from 1pm – midnight
- Zevely House (901 W. Fourth St.): will serve brunch and lunch from 10am – 2pm, and invites all Homes Tour guests to stop by to rest their feet by the fire and enjoy a complimentary cup of hot cider
- E.R.L. Originals Art Gallery (480 West End Blvd.): open from 10am to 6pm
- Blessings (823 Reynolda Rd.): open from 1pm to 6pm
- The Gifted Hand, specializing in Raku pottery (418 West End Blvd.): open from 1pm to 4pm
- Impeccable Art Gallery (858 W. 4th St.): open from 2pm to 6pm
- Encore! Books (1138 Burke St.): open from 9am to 5pm. Browse, read, and relax with a coffee from Morning Dew
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