



winnona park neighbors association

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The big questions



CITY PLANS

Decatur city officials held planning feedback sessions the latter part of May at Westchester and Renfro schools. Of the many ideas presented, two seem to affect our neighborhood the most:

State Route 155 (Candler Road) to be widened to four lanes and curve west to McDonough at Kirk Road. One block before College, it would angle west toward Oliver.

The expansion of the M-1 (light industrial) area between Avery and Columbia just south of College and the change of the triangle between the two Columbias and College from M-1 to Neighborhood Commercial.

SPECIAL MEETING NEXT WEDNESDAY

Because Decatur plans so vitally affect our neighborhood, we are having a special meeting Wednesday, June 22, at City Hall, where we can have access to the planning maps the city has prepared. We will meet at 7:30 P.M. in the City Commission Room. Please come! We need your input!

We're Growing!

Membership in the Winnona Park Neighbor's Association is open to anyone who lives in or is interested in the Winnona Park neighborhood. This statement may be news to some of you, but it is known to an increasing number of people in our neighborhood. To date, the membership committee has received 105 membership applications. This means that our membership now stands at about 200 persons, a growth of 150% since our first meeting as an organization in February of this year. We are delighted with this growth and hope it will continue.

To better publicize the activities of WPNA, we are mailing our Newsletter to the principals of our local schools, our state representatives, Peggy Childs and Eleanor Richardson, our state senators, Bud Stumbaugh and Pierre Howard and our U. S. Congressman, Elliott Levitas. Decatur City Hall also gets several copies each printing.

If you are interested in joining us in working to preserve and improve our neighborhood, we want to know it. Membership applications are available from Paige McRight, 445 Mimosa Dr. Donations of \$3.00 for individuals or \$5.00 for families are welcomed, but not required for membership. If you have questions regarding membership, please call Paige at 377-7793.

SDCC

South Decatur Community Council will be discussing the city's plan as it relates to the East Lake business district, Scottish Rite Hospital and Candler Road, Tuesday, June 21, Mead Road Community Center, 135 Mead Road at 7:30 P.M.



Neighbors' Exchange

The South DeKalb Center is interviewing and recruiting community based persons for the purpose of implementing its VISTA Volunteer Community Action Program. Call today - 243-3323, for more information. All applications must be submitted prior to July 1, 1977.

BLOCK CAPTAINS NEEDED! Contact Nancy Leitch - 377-0856.

AMWAY products - Ann Busby
377-3362

AVON products - Ann Anderson
377-3139

Not Old, Historic!

We're not old - we're historic!

At least, that's what many citizens in the South Decatur area believe of our unique residences and structures, and an ad hoc committee is being formed to consider the historic aspects of the area south of College Avenue. Interested citizens of the WPNA and South Decatur Community Council will be looking at the possibility of Historic Designation and other recognitions of the buildings in our area. Many structures are known to be over fifty years old and have significance in our neighborhood's early formation.

It is hoped that information on what historic designation means to our area will be compiled and distributed to our neighbors, as well as a survey listing these significant structures.

The Committee is just forming and would like your input. Whatever your contribution, call Lyn Deardorff at 377-8010 to help keep south Decatur historic.

Welcome Visitors

Many people in our neighborhood will shortly be participating in Atlanta's inaugural Friendship Force flight, some as ambassadors to Newcastle, England, and some as hosts for our British guests who will be visiting. Friendship Force is President Carter's program to exchange American citizens with those of other countries to promote better international understanding.

Persons participating will live with families in Newcastle for four days and have an opportunity to travel for four days. The same schedule applies to the British guests coming here.

Bon voyage to our ambassador neighbors and a warm welcome to our British guests!

Food & Frolic

Fun, food and folks were plentiful at the first annual WPNA spring picnic, Sunday, May 22, at Winnona Park School. Even the much needed shower that came midway through supper did not chase anyone home. Approximately 75 people came, and thanks to many donations, the cost was kept to under \$10.

Ann Jones was johnny on the spot registering many of us as Decatur voters. Ann's husband provided the afternoon's most exciting event by bringing a long, strong rope for tug of war. At some point, just about everyone joined in. Badminton, frisbee, basketball and softball were also enjoyed. That man of all trades, Henry Slack, treated us to a juggling act. Everyone with a star on the bottom of their paper plate received a prize. Pictures were taken, so come to our next meeting and see yourself on film.

People

THANKS TO:

Carlene Duncan and the Social Committee for a most successful picnic.

Nancy & Jerry Martin for donating the paper plates and prizes for the picnic.

Lenore Brewer for mailing the newsletter each month.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Henry Slack as musical director and actor in "The Moke Eater" starting June 17 at Kelly's Seed and Feed Theatre. \$2.00. Reservations - 524-1125.

Martha Hollis for graduating from law school.

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Betty & Dennis Bellville
Patty Bonner
Ann Busby
Carlene Duncan
Nancy Leitch
Mary Oetjen
Brenda Price
Willie Ruth Sheppard
Henry Slack