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WINNOWA PARK NEIGHBORS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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HEALTH CENTER COMPLETES ENOVATION

On April 12, local community residents celebrated the completion of renovation of the Oakhurst Community Center of South Decatur. Chairperson of the OCHC Governing Board, Elizabeth Wilson, presided over the ceremonies and assisted guest speaker Congressman Elliott Levitas in the ribbon cutting which officially opened the Health Center in its permanent facilities. Other public officials participating in the event were Decatur Commissioner Marian Cunningham, DeKalb Commissioner Liane Levetan, Ga. Senator Bud Stumbaugh, Ga. Representative Eleanor Richardson, and Ga. Representative Peggy Childs.

The Health Center provides a full range of primary health care services, including diagnosis, treatment and management of illnesses and long term diseases; well child, adolescent and adult care; prenatal care; family planning; health education; nutrition assessment and education; hearing, vision and development screening; complete lab services and referral for specialty care when needed. Charges are based upon cost of operation and do not exceed the fees in the private sector.

A major focus of the Health Center is preventive medicine. As a part of their effort to promote positive health habits, the Center will hold monthly community health education classes. Community members can learn how to achieve and maintain better health. The first class on April 22 is entitled "Having a Healthy Party".

Since May is High Blood Pressure Month, the next session (on May 27) will discuss how individuals can lower their own blood pressure. In addition, the Health Center will offer free blood pressure checks to any interested party who stops by the Center during the month of May.





Winnona Park Neighbors
Association meetings
will be held once every
two months. The next
meeting is scheduled for the end
of May. Watch the next newsletter
for exact date, time & program.

South Decatur Spring Festival

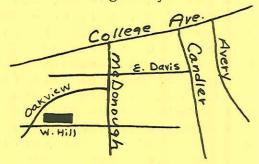


May 2nd

The 2nd annual South Decatur Spring Festival will be held Saturday, May 2nd from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center (old Scottish Rite Hospital) at 321 W. Hill Street.

There will be a wide variety of entertainments, including Kelly's Seed & Feed Marching Abominables, a Suzuki violin group, cloggers, magicians and more. Food and drinks, games and arts/crafts will also be available and the "silent auction" will be back by popular demand.

This year there will be an additional treat - a neighborhood parade led by the Decatur High Band. Winnona Park residents who want to participate should meet shortly before 1:00 p.m. on May 2nd near the Agnes Scott tennis courts on Daughtery.





yard sale May 16

The Winnona Park Neighborhood Association will sponsor its 4th annual neighborhood yard sale on Sat., May 16th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Rain date is Sat., May 23rd. Maps showing the location of each yard sale will be available to the public at each participating yard and at the school. A 'consolidated' sale will be held at the school for those with only a few items to sell.

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If you would like to participate, there is a \$5 participation fee which covers city permits, maps, and advertising. Checks for the fee should be made out to WPNA. Contact Nancy Leitch (377-0856) or Frank Bartkus (378-1095) in the evenings or Perla Sibley (373-5108) during the day.

work co-op

A work co-op has been started on a trial-run basis to see if the idea seems to be workable for our neighborhood. Limited now to about 20 or so families, the co-op will

function under a few simple rules for a six month period. WPNA will then reassess the co-op in terms of workability and complaints. If it seems to be beneficial to those who participate, WPNA may continue and expand membership in the co-op. Watch the newsletter for an update in about six months.

membership survey

The surveys that came to you with your last newsletter are being returned at a steady rate. Your opinions and concerns are important and help to guide the WPNA in planning activities. If you haven't returned yours yet, it's not too late.

The honors for the resident of longest standing goes to Charles McKinney Jr. He has lived in Winnona Park for 64 years! We are glad you are a part of our neighborhood.

Our newest residents who have responded to our survey are Jed Baumwell and Gail Beaudin. They have been a part of Winnona Park for 1 month! Welcome to both of you.

Next newsletter we will have a further summary of our survey.
We want your voice to be heard.
Please send back your survey.

THE ENERGY GROUP

The Energy Group is a new neighborhood organization that has been formed to deal with energy problems faced by most of us as consumers. Membership is open to any interested person in the neighborhood (call Steve Haworth at 378-3773 for further details). This is the first of several articles the group plans to share with the community through the WPNA Newsletter.

WATER & ENERGY CONSERVATION By: Jo Deck

The average American family uses more than 26,000 gallons of hot water each year. The amount of energy needed to heat this water is more than that consumed by a refrigerator, freezer, clothes dryer, T.V., kitchen oven and range and lights combined! In fact, water heaters are second only to the heating system as the single largest energy consuming system in the home.

There are a few simple things you can do to reduce both your water and energy use. Why not pick out just one or two and make them a habit!

- 1. Operate hot-water appliances wisely. Run your dishwasher & clothes washer with full loads only. Use warm or cold wash in your clothes washer.
- 2. Take quick, warm showers instead of baths.
- 3. Fix dripping faucets and leaks. A faucet that leaks one drop per second wastes 650 gallons of water a year.

 4. Never leave hot water running
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Sunday softball: at 2:00 p.m. on the Winnona Park Playground. WPNA sponsored -- it's for anyone -- just show up.

Open Saturdays Beginning Feb. 28

SOUTHERN STYLE COOKING

DEPOT CAFE

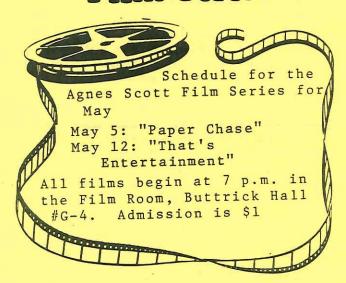
Breakfast 7 am - 11 am Lunch 11 am - 3 pm Dine in or Take Out

Across from the Old Decatur Depot 313 E. College Ave 373-9202



The "Fit and Fun Fair" will be held Sat. April 25th from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. There will be a Fun Run at 9:00 a.m. You don't have to be a Craig Virgin or a Patti Lyons Catalano to compete. Applications will be available at the school the week of the race. A separate race for children will be held also. The races will cover 1 mi. and 3 mi. Medals will be awarded to all participants. There will be a small entry fee.

Film Series





real estate sales 1663 McLENDON AVE., N.E. ATLANTA, GA. 30307

GRANT/WALKER PROPERTIES

WHEN YOU NEED A LARGER KITCHEN, SMALLER YARD, MORE FIREPLACES, FEWER HEADACHES, CALL A NEIGHBOR:

> Tina Buechele Off. 404/377-0107 Res. 404/373-7103

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LEGISLATIVE HIGHLIGHTS



homestead exemption

A bill, sponsored by Rep. Eleanor Richardson (District 52) and approved by both the House and Senate will allow Decatur residents to vote in the 1982 election on whether or not they want to have a homestead exemption (of at least \$2,000) for Decatur taxes similar to that for the county.

voter registration

A compromise bill has been passed by both House and Senate designed to reconcile friends and foes of dual registration.

The bill will automatically place all Decatur residents who are currently registered with the county (but not with the city) on the city list. So Decatur will gain about 5,000 new registered voters.

In the future, if you register either with the city or with the county, you will automatically be placed on the other's list, enabling you to vote in all elections.

Here's the catch however -- if you vote in a national, state, or county election, this will not keep the city from starting the purging process. To stay on the city's list, you must vote in a city election (in Dec.) at least once every three years or return the card sent to you by the city indicating that you want to stay on the list (postage on these cards will be paid by the city).

THE FARMERS MARKET ON MEDLOCK ROAD WILL NO LONGER ACCEPT CHECKS FROM CUSTOMERS -- CASH ONLY.



The next regular DNA meeting will be the fourth Tuesday at the Decatur First Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m.

COMMISSION NOTES



By Catherine Carter

The 1981-82 budget was adopted as proposed at the March 16th meeting of the Decatur City Commission. The setting of the millage rate and the levying of ad valorem and sanitation taxes was deferred until a called meeting on March 23rd, at which time the millage rate was set at 29.5. The Commission had waited to learn that the state legislature again appropriated funds to local school districts.

Because only two city pools (Glenlake & McKoy) will be open this summer, the city will provide transportation to and from each pool from Ebster Park. Each pool will close for a half day each week for maintenance. There will be no fee for city residents 15 years of age and under and 50 cents for those over 15. Non-residents will be charged \$1 and \$2 respectively. The pools will be open from June 13th to Aug. 23rd from 10:00 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. on weekdays. The hours will be 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. on Sat. and 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. on Sun. Season passes will not be sold.

The Commission agreed to charge \$42.50 for one child per four week session in the Day Camp program. Each additional child per family will pay \$30. The program will accommodate 100 children (70 at Glenlake and 30 at Adair). Supervised play will again be provided at Oakhurst, McKoy and Ebster Parks.

Realtor John Adams requested that the commission consider changing the permitted size of real estate signs from 1 sq. foot to 6 sq. feet. He charged that the smaller signs are neither readily visible nor fair. Real estate companies are forced to keep available both sizes of signs, the smaller size for clients in the city limits. He stated that a local real estate company keeps to the letter of the law with its small square foot signs but does not keep to the spirit of the law with the large wooden posts from which the signs are hung. The Commission agreed to study the request and put it on the agenda at a later meeting.

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Neighbors' Exchange

SHARE YOUR TALENTS, SERVICES, PRODUCTS, ETS. Call Chuck Walker (378-1095) or Susan Purdom (378-2931 or 377-5531). There is no charge to anyone living in south Decatur for placing an ad in the Neighbors' Exchange. We will run it as frequently as space permits.

For Sale: 1978 Triumph Spitfire Convertible. Auxillary lift-off hard-top. Electronic overdrive. AM-FM 8-track stereo. Total maintenance record available. \$4200. Call 373-1842 (home) or 493-8547 (work).

Life Enrichment Services, Inc. of

3715 LaVista Rd., Decatur
(321-6960) is thinking of establishing a day care center for the elderly. There will be a special workshop on May 7th at 1:45 p.m. at Briarlake Baptist Church Fellowship Hall to discuss such a project. Public is invited.

July 4th Celebration in Decatur:
Plans are being made now. Any
suggestions or ideas, contact
Peter Carruthers (parade),
Louise Thrower (entertainment),
or Wes Saunders (concessions).

Babysitting Available: Experienced babysitters. References furnished upon request. Call Kerry or Kris Deardorff at 377-8010.

Babysitter: \$1.50 /hr. Experienced 12 year old sitter. Call Karen Purdom at 378-2931 (evenings).

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