

A Neighborhood Newspaper Sponsored by Vollintine-Evergreen Community Action Association



Everyone is invited to the Fourth of July community picnic to be held here (watch for posters in V·E area shops.) All you have to do to participate is bring your own food and drink. VECAA will provide the grass, ants, flies, dirt, etc.. Athletic events such as frisbee, volleyball, horseshoes and footraces will be encouraged. Spectator types can bring folding chairs and umbrellas. Time will be 3 p.m. till dark, Thursday, July 4.

Summer Fun

If you're looking for summer fun this year, the members of the V/E community need look no further than their own backyard. For young, old, and in-between, agencies throughout the community are offering a variety of activities from sports to literature. It would be impossible to list them all so, hopefully, the following will provide a representative sampling.

Evergreen Presbyterian Church is again offering an extensive recreational program. Lessons on swimming, tennis, and arts and crafts are available, along with opportunities for exercise, softball, or baseball. June 29 will be their annual golf tournament, and on July 4, the regular parade will begin at 10 a.m.; lots of prizes and refreshments!

The Evergreen Playground is again being staffed by the Park Commission from June 10 - August 16, between the hours of 9:30 and 5:00. Evergreen's Day Camp sessions will start every 2 weeks, beginning June 16, for children 6 - 12 years old. They'll run from 10 - 4:30. There will also be a Day Camp at McLean Baptist beginning June 6, from 9:30 - 4:30. At both camps, registration is a must.

McLean Baptist will also be continuing its day care and Headstart programs throughout the summer. Still another place for the little ones is Janie Conrad's Forrest Avenue Play Group. For walkers through kindergarteners, she has supervised fun and snacks from 9-12 a.m. at \$1.50/day for one child; if you've 2 or more, \$1.25/day each. Call Janie at 278-9559.

At the Lewis Center for Senior Citizens, summer looks bright. There will be a nature outing June 11 at Shelby Forest; a Horseshoe Tournament June 18 at the center; and two trips are being offered — Nashville in June, and Eureka Springs in August.

Southwestern's continuing education center has some tempting offerings. Ray Hill will lead 2 weekly classes on "Mass Media: The Invisible Environment" beginning June 13. Frank Faux will be leading an evening literature class on Wednesdays, beginning June 19 and featuring authors F. Scott Fitzgerald, John Steinbeck, and Sinclair Lewis. Southwestern is also again the site of the federally-funded National Summer Youth Sports Program.

Although most Vacation Bible Schools in the neighborhood seem to be scheduled for August, Jackson Avenue Church of Christ will run theirs in the evenings, June 10 - 14th, sumultaneously with their Revival Gospel Meetings.

Summer schedule at the North Branch of the Public Library includes Film Fun for all ages — 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays; Hobby Club for 4th - 6th graders — 2 p.m. Thursdays; Story Time for ages 6 - 12 — 2:30 p.m. Fridays.

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Around The Neighborhood

BERNICE WILLIAMS, sometime contributor to the Evergreen News, will now write under the name of BERNICE WHITE. The Southwestern English professor recently became Mrs. PAUL DEAN WHITE. She and her new husband will reside at 1054 N. Belvedere. Mr. White is an engineer for the Rock Island Railroad.

PAIGE and BROCK LAWES of 1701 Autumn were recently featured in the Sunday <u>Commercial Appeal's</u> "Rambling" column in which the couple's recent trip to Yugoslavia

was described.

One of our newest new neighbors is JUTTA VIVIAN DINKELACKER, born March 29 to parents HORST and CHRISTY. Prof. Dinkelacker teaches German at Southwestern and the family resides at 1025 N. Willett.

BRAD McMILLAN, art editor of the <u>Evergreen News</u>, received the second place award in the sculpture category at the Overton Square Art Festival on May 4. The ribbon was for a small work entitled "Nixongoyle".

RISHA DAUGHDRILL of 671 West Dr. has been elected vice-president of the senior class at Hutchison's School. JANE CONRAD of 1751 Forrest has been elected president of the student government at Central High School.

Two long-time Southwesterners are retiring this year. DAN and DOROTHY ROSS of 877 N. Barksdale are leaving the English and art departments, respectively, and will retire to their farm in Middle Tennessee. Replacing them at the Barksdale address will be Dr. and Mrs. HELMUTH GILOW. Dr. Gilow is a chemistry professor at Southwestern and Mrs. Gilow, BETTY MATTHEWS, is an artist and an instructor at the Memphis Art Academy.

New neighbors at 1906 Mignon are WANDA RYAN and her son BILLY. Wanda is a social worker for the State of Tennessee and five-year-old Billy will start at Snowden kindergarten next fall. The Ryans come to the neigh-

borhood from East Memphis.

Other new neighbors are ROBERT and SHERRY ETHE-RIDGE who moved into the University Cabanas in May. Robert is a dental student at the University of Tennessee and Sherry is employed as a secretary at Memphis Regional Medical Program. Both are natives of Nashville and Robert is a graduate of Belmont College there.

JEAN BRADFUTE at 272-2668 continues to offer a grass-mowing information service. Young people wanting to do yard work and residents needing yard work are

invited to find each other through this service.

The Memphis Women's Political Caucus is sponsoring a mini-workshop on Tuesday, June 25, at 7 30 p.m. at the home of Ms. IRENE DYCUS, 877 University. The workshop will cover information of what local and state races are coming up, structure of the major political parties (including the executive offices coming up in those parties) and how to run as an independent.

If you are interested in attending this discussion/

workshop, call Martha at 274-0670 (day) or Ann at 274-0606 (night). Everyone is invited!

Last week, the JOE HOUGHS at 771 University lost their dachshund, HEIDI, who was hit by a car outside their home. Heidi was a companion and friend to MARIA, PATRICK and JENNY, and all the children on Uni-

versity between Jackson and Vollintine.

LORELEI, the BRUHWILERS' golden retriever suffered an equally sudden end last week, when she got caught under the wheels of a train near Scenic Hills. Lorelei kept watch when the first issue of the Evergreen News was put together and has been a familiar sight at 883 University and on the Southwestern campus for nearly five years. To PAUL, DAVID, MARIO, BRUNO and ERIK, Lorelei was almost like a sister.

Both Heidi and Lorelei were obedient and trusting in the best canine tradition, and it is ironic that such gentle creatures should meet with a violent death. Both will long be remembered by their many friends.

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GERMAN FOR VECAA KIDS

The German Department at Southwestern at Memphis is offering a three-week German language course for children, June 13 - July 3. Classes will meet Monday through Friday, 10:30 - 12:00, at the Emily Simpson Courtney Language Center. The teaching method will be audio-visual, but the participants should be able to read a textbook. Tuition*is \$25.00, and enrollment is limited. For further information and registration, call Dr. Bruhwiler, 274-5690, or Dr. Dinkelacker, 276-3538.

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Staff Notes

Congratulations are in order for MARTHA TAYLOR and Evergreen News editor RICK THOMAS who were married May 25 at the Church of the River. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and their children JENNIFER, 8, and TODD, 9, will make their home at 1860 Monticello. Mrs. Thomas a native of Texas, is an assistant bookkeeper with Central States Dredging Company, and Mr. Thomas, native Memphian, is research director for the Memphis Regional Medical Program.

GIL MARTINEZ of 884 N. Willett has been named the full-time director of the Chickasaw Basin Authority. Mr. and Mrs. Martinez are from Galveston, Texas, and have lived here four years. Their children are DEBBIE, 14, MARK, 13, DAVID, 11, and ALAYNE, 8, a lively bunch who deliver the <u>Evergreen News</u> on several streets be-

tween Vollintine and Jackson.

June 2 was a big day in the lives of several Evergreen News distributors in the Cabanas. MARTY PEDIGO and PAT ALLEN watched as their husbands IOE PEDIGO and RANDY ALLEN received their M.D. degrees from U.T. Dr. Allen will continue his training at the University Medical Center in Charleston, S.C., while Dr. Pedigo will begin an internship in pediatrics here at the University of Tennessee.

Two new distributors began work last month between Vollintine and Jackson. Miss FRANCES THOMPSON will cover Dickinson and Mrs. DARRELL RICHARDSON will work on Stonewall. Mrs. Richardson is a secretary at First Baptist Church and Miss Thompson is a social worker at the West Tennessee Cancer Clinic.

Creek Revival

Most residents are aware of the problems with residential and industrial sewage overflowing into Cypress Creek and are, no doubt, eager to hear any word of progress. Last week the city held an environmental impact hearing on a project to replace the existing overloaded sewer line with a larger one. JIM BARKSDALE, acting deputy city engineer, says the new line will follow the old one down Cypress Creek from Hollywood to the pumping station near Watkins. He also said he hoped to award a contract for the construction this summer.

The Shelby County Democratic Voters Council, Pre-

cinct 40-2, and its chairman, BROTHER GREENE, of 1074 Terry Circle, have been pushing this issue for the past two years through neighborhood meetings, City Council, County Court, the Health Department and the City Engineer's office. A solution is now one step nearer, and the entire area will benefit.

Neighborhood deaths are not normally reported in the Evergreen News. However, on April 17, Mrs. MARY C. ILSLEY of 1829 Faxon passed away and with her went an era. For thirty years Mary had been a fixture at Walter's Sundry Store at 579 N. McLean. The tiny store has served as a meeting place for the community's young and old and to this day bears the name of Mr. Ilsley who died ten years ago.

Walter was a highly-respected pharmacist who was best known for the numerous remedies he had personally concocted. Customers came from all over town to obtain relief from colds, stomach-aches and diarrhea. And Walter usually obliged them with a tonic of his own in-

vention.

Mary was known for her interest in the decades of Snowden School students who daily visited the store. All of the kids knew her and rushed their school pictures to her as soon as they received them. Today, thousands of pictures of "her children" still decorate the walls. The sundry had become a clearinghouse for information on former Snowden students and Mary could tell you where they were and what they were doing, especially the success stories. She would often stay open long after closing time talking to her friends.

To adults, Walter's Sundry was known more as a place for political hobnobbing. In the old days, neighborhood politicians — and there have been many — would sit at the counter and discuss the issues with local political observers. The availability of over-the-counter beer no doubt contributed to the flow of rhetoric. (Mary was very strict about not selling beer in front of the students, however.)

A couple of these old-timers who are still active in politics are former mayor HENRY LOEB and CLARK POR-TEUS, political writer for the Press-Scimitar. Both are still regular customers. Walter himself was kind of an amateur politician, running in the hotly-contested elec-

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tions of the old Jackson Avenue Civic Club.

Walter and Mary's daughter and son-in-law are not operating the sundry but a "For Sale" sign in the window suggests its eventual fate. The store still looks the same and the regulars still drink cold beer. Nowadays the political debate is interspersed with nostalgic remarks about Mary's many friends. As face would have it, Walter's Sundry will soon take its place alongside the DeLuxe Shoe Shop and the old Southwestern Grill, all victims of time.

REP REVIEW

by Hershel Lipow

Governor Dunn predicted in February that this past session of the Tennessee Legislature might be the worst in the history of our state. Whether or not it fulfilled that prediction, the 88th General Assembly did deal with many important issues, and both of VECAA's representatives played an important part in those decisions.

89th District Representative DOY DANIELS is most proud of his work to secure a \$10 million interest-free loan for the construction of a garbage-powered heating and cooling system for Cook Convention Center. He is also happy about his success in capturing \$2.2 million

for the U-T Dental School.

98th District Representative HARPER BREWER, Jr., is pleased that he could work toward his campaign pledge to improve Tennessee's job situation, especially in the black community, by helping to establish the Department of Economic and Community Development. He also supported legislation which enables the North Memphis

Health Center to receive Medic-Aid patients.

Both legislators approved large appropriations for vocational, reading, and handicapped programs. In fact, they agreed on most key issues. On the question of establishing a new medical school at East Tennessee State University, both felt that it would be beneficial if federal funds become available for the project. Representative Brewer cited that the new school would probably become one of seven similar institutions across the country. Funding of such a school would be larger than initially projected by the Veterans' Administration. He felt that additional opportunities for medical training are vital for Tennessee and that a free-standing school will not interfere with U-T Memphis' accreditation. Representative Daniels agreed, stating that the medical school had received more money this year than ever before. He reported that U-T turned back \$750,000 this year and that it would always have the financial support it needed.

Both representatives also agreed to support the public disclosure bill which would have required that legislators make public their income and contributions, as well as its sources. Although the bill failed, both agreed to personally follow the bill anyway. They will make these records available before the next election. Ethics also played a part in their votes against reinstating the

death penalty. Both felt that the bill did not conform to the Supreme Court's interpretation of cruel and unusual treatment. They also felt that it was difficult to say if the law would be equally applied due to plea bargaining. They preferred a mandatory 99-year sentence.

In respect to what they felt their districts wanted, both representatives voted for no-fault insurance. Representative Brewer believes that since insurance is required, everyone should get the benefits of no-fault. However, both he and Representative Daniels believe that it is unlikely that a rate reduction would occur.

On a lighter note, both representatives stated that the bill against coed college dormitories was ridiculous. Representative Brewer pointed out that many private institutions with state charters would also be affected. He questioned whether it was possible to restrict 18-year-olds who were now considered adults. Representative Daniels said that the state was "playing mission impossible" and overstepping their bounds.

Two bills drew contrary votes. One was the open-meeting rule which now requires policy-making public agencies at the state, city, and county levels to publicize their meetings. Representative Daniels agreed completely with the concept but felt the bill was a "public relations" gimmick. He cited his attempts to publish roll call votes of legislative committees. Representative Brewer, on the other hand, felt that the comprehensive nature of the bill merited its approval. He felt it was important to act now to open committee, board, and local meetings which were previously closed.

Similarly, both representatives split on the merits of the repeal of the Equal Rights Amendment for women. Representative Brewer believes that since women have new responsibilities, the benefits of the ERA surpass any consequences that might be detrimental. He believes existing laws don't cover all situations, such as credit loans. Contrarily, Representative Daniels felt it would be redundant since "it's already the law of the land". He stated it could always be approved again if additional evidence proves that it is necessary. He further stated that proponents could not convince him of

its immediate necessity.

Both Representative Daniels and Brewer plan to run for reelection in November. However, Representative Daniels will be running on the Republican ticket. He cited a belief that he could work more closely with the East Tennessee Republicans whom he considers "more urbane", than with the "rurally-oriented West Tennessee Democrats". He also believes that his new affiliation will help to break the dead-locks that occurred within the Shelby County delegation. When asked if his switch was motivated by politics, he stated that he thought the voters would elect a candidate on merit rather than party affiliation. Representative Brewer also stands on his record. Both candidates invite voters to become involved in their campaigns. With the primary scheduled for August, the political season is upon us.





