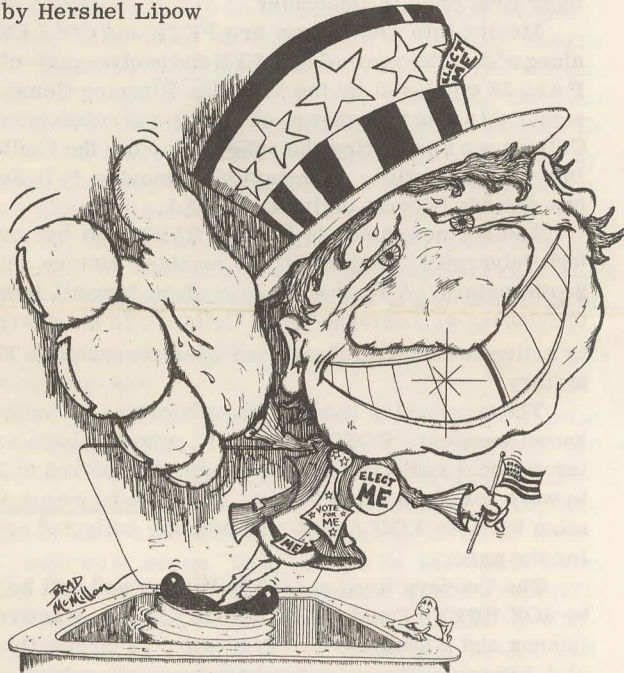


The EVERGREEN NEWS

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HOWDY, I'M...

by Hershel Lipow



Next month's primary election of Tennessee's state legislators will prove interesting for VECAA residents. A total of ten candidates have qualified for races in the 89th and 98th districts. All of the candidates are under 50, six are black, one is a Republican and one is a woman.

District 89

Twenty-eight-year-old PAM GAIA of 1080 Poplar holds the distinction of being the only woman in the race. However, she feels that she knows the needs of the entire community. She worked with the last General Assembly to pass a comprehensive bill to aid senior citizens, but it was defeated. If elected she promises to work for its passage, as well as to promote a bill to increase student aid based on tuition. A student at Memphis State who will soon receive her B.A. in psychology, Pam also has background experience in merchandising.

Pam, who is white, believes that race relations are a primary asset to the V/E area. She states that she would work to enact model legislation to help integrated communities.

She attends Little Flower Church and is single. Her campaign phone number is 526-4882. As a Democrat she has served as a delegate to the State and county Democratic convention and believes she has gotten to know the people.

BOB HAWKS is no stranger to State politics. As a Democrat, he served three terms representing District 97 from 1966 to 1972. Bob has been both a businessman and a labor union official. He feels this has given him a chance to know both sides of the working man's problem. He graduated from Treadwell High School and is now a licensed financial and real estate consultant. Bob promises to work for tax exemptions for senior citizens and a mechanics lien law. He also would like to help obtain a 24-hour neighborhood health clinic and

to ease the drainage problems of Cypress Creek.

Bob, who is 47, attends Leawood Baptist Church and has three children. His campaign headquarters is at 1693 Jackson and the phone number is 458-4441. He lives at 1460 Jackson and is white. Bob promises to represent the constituency as a whole and welcomes all inquiries.

DON ROBBINS of 919 N. McLean has a wide range of business and educational experience for his 27 years. A Democrat, he is the president of two wholesale food processing corporations. He received a B.A. from Lambuth and an M.B.A. from the University of Tennessee where he is eighteen hours away from a Ph.D. in business.

As a businessman, he believes he can intelligently represent the community. He states that he has the time to devote to the job and that he particularly understands what it takes to live in a spiraling economy. He would like to remove the sales tax from prescription drugs for senior citizens. Don would also like to require that everyone obtain liability insurance before receiving a new driver's license.

Don, who is white, has one daughter and attends Lindsay Memorial Presbyterian Church. His campaign phone is 272-7091.

HENRY RAZOR is the only black running in District 89 and feels he is particularly knowledgeable about the total needs of our community. He has served as the administrative assistant to the State Democrats in Nashville. Before that he spent six years working as a salesman in the area. He feels he knows many people personally and that they trust him.

Henry received a degree in political science from the University of Illinois at Carbondale. He has also studied business and language in Germany. Education is a top priority to Henry. He believes we must first raise teacher salaries and instill a positive attitude including parental support in our schools.

Fighting for the Equal Right Amendment as an administrative assistant, Henry believes it should be passed again. He also promises to open a Memphis office to prevent communications breakdown.

Henry is 31 and attends Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church. He can be reached at 942-5837.

District 98

NORMAL TIMOTHY HENDERSON is a black Democrat, as are all of the candidates from District 98. He is 28 and lives at 1052 Michelle Circle. Normal attended a local high school and is now getting a graduate degree in criminal justice from Tennessee State University where he completed his undergraduate training.

As a former probation officer for the Juvenile Court, Nor-



VECAA Political Rally!! All candidates who will appear on ballots in V/E area precincts have been invited to speak and answer questions. The politicking begins Monday, July 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Vollentine School auditorium.

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mal feels that he understands some of the community's problems. He is currently a member of the Klondike Civic Club. Normal would most like to work for tax exemptions for the small businessman. He also believes the State could contribute funds to improve Cypress Creek. Normal has three children and attends Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church. His campaign office is at 1258 Jackson and he can be reached at 274-2566.

WILLIE HENRY, Jr., is a social advocate at the Holy Names Parish, of which he is a member. He was educated in theology at LeMoyné-Owen College and Memphis State University. He also studied nutrition at the University of Tennessee.

Willie, who lives at 1021 Pearce #4, has been active in civic affairs. He is a member of the Tennessee Survival Conference, Project First Offender and the Catholic Charities of Memphis. He also participated in the NAACP Committee on Police Justice and Penal Reform which Willie believes should include job training and counseling. Without education, he feels, the cycle of crime will not be broken. Willie is 24 and married. Inquiries may be directed to 525-2972.

WARREN LEWIS, Sr., is also concerned with penal reform. He is a former juvenile probation officer who is currently involved in meeting the "everyday needs of people." A hairstylist by profession, Warren is an advisor to City Hall's Youth Employment Service. He helped to organize the Black Knights, a black service organization, and the Emergency Assistance Bank. He believes that his knowledge could redirect the system to meet needs that are currently unfulfilled. He would like to strengthen programs to provide emergency shelter and assistance.

Warren, who is 41, lives at 2194 Vollintine and has three children. He graduated from a Mississippi high school and attends Pentecostal Temple where he is a drummer in the choir. His campaign headquarters is at 887 Thomas and his phone is 527-7771.

JERRY WYATT of 715 Marble Apt. C could not be reached for comment. His phone is listed as 525-1256.

In the V/E community District 89 includes precincts, 36-1, 36-2, 36-3 and parts of 20-1 and 20-2. The incumbent is Republican Doy Daniels, Jr., of 775 Pope who was featured along with 98th District Representative Harper Brewer in last month's Evergreen News. Harper is a Democrat and lives at 990 N. Idlewild. District 98 includes the V/E area north of Vollintine, precinct 41-2 and part of precinct 40-2.

Around The Neighborhood

Newcomers to the V/E community this month include Mr. and Mrs. LORIN ALLEN, Jr., of 707 West Drive. "Larry"

is an architect with his own firm while his wife "Andy" is currently on leave from the health department where she works in the family planning division. They are expecting their first child in December.

Moving into 1700 Faxon are PETE and COLLEEN MACE along with eight-year-old ROBYN and twelve-year-old TODD. Pete is employed by the Memphis Planning Commission as senior planner in charge of zoning and subdivisions, while Colleen works during the school year for the Shelby County Board of Education. Although only moving in June, Pete has already become active in VECAA.

Another newcomer is ROGER HART who has moved into 669 University. Roger will be teaching history this fall at Southwestern. A Southwestern graduate himself, he has taught previously at LeMoyné-Owen College. In his spare time he is active in Common Cause and does research on Tennessee history.

The community has had the misfortune of losing a well-known resident. ROGER COOPER, who has been a newscaster on local radio for several years, has moved to Nashville to work for Associated Press. The Evergreen News will miss his wife LOU ANNE who monthly collected news items for the paper.

The Coopers lived at 1356 Vollintine and will be replaced by JOE HEBERT and DIXIE ASHLEY. Joe, a native of Louisiana and a Southwestern graduate, is presently teaching at A Learning Place, an innovative private school. Dixie, a Memphian, is a puppeteer and actress.

One of the newest arrivals in the neighborhood is SYLVIA KATHLEEN HATFIELD, daughter of DOUG and MARIAN HATFIELD of 876 University. Sylvia was born April 18. Dr. Hatfield teaches history at Southwestern.

New residents at the Woodmont Towers are Misses ELIZABETH and FRANCES THOMPSON, formerly of 1634 Jackson. The former is a teacher at Macon Road School; the latter a social worker at the West Tennessee Cancer Clinic.

Other cross-neighborhood movers are Mrs. JANET LEONARD, treasurer of VECAA and real estate agent, moving from 749 N. Auburndale to 1729 Tutwiler, and MICKEY and MARCIE BURROW, who with CHRIS, BETH, and DORI, moved from 1032 E. Rainbow Circle to 1946 Tutwiler. Commander Burrow was honored June 21 at a retirement ceremony at the Naval Air Station. His retirement comes after 20 years service with the Navy.

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is two years old. Mr. Fox is with Fox Equipment Company. Mrs. Fox is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. JOHN G. McCARTER who live next door.

LEE DENSON of 770 N. Avalon, guitarist, singer, and writer with Stax, is busy with a feature length musical fantasy, Mr. Snow, a G-rated movie which includes 15 original songs by Mr. Denson. Current plans call for LENA ZAVARONI of London records to appear in the starring role of Maria, with release by Twentieth-Century in December. The Denson family includes MARY (Mrs. Denson), two sons, JESSE, 18, a refueling technician and student pilot, and JIMMY, 14, a student at Catholic High, and pets Speckles and Ebony. Mr. Denson's neighborhood activities include singing the 10:30 Mass Sundays at Little Flower Church and the Cursillista Mass Wednesday nights at Sacred Heart.

A reception was held last month at McLean Baptist Church in honor of Mr. and Mrs. DUKE SMITH of 770 N. Watkins. The reception was planned by their children to help the Smiths celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have lived at their present address since they came to Memphis from Knoxville in 1925. Their children are Dr. DAVID SMITH of Greenville, S. C., Mrs. WILLIAM V. GIBSON, Jr. (MARY VIRGINIA) of Beaufort, S. C., and Mrs. JOSEPH E. HUSKEY (CAROLYN ANN) of Copper Hill, Tennessee.

Prof. MICHAEL P. KIRBY of 683 N. Idlewild is the director of the new Policy Research Institute at Southwestern. A part of the Continuing Education Center, the newly established institute will make the research and data-collecting talents of the faculty and students available to outside groups who need information to help their work in government, neighborhoods, and social programs. While brains aren't everything, it sure helps to have some in the right places. Southwestern is well equipped with some of the best of them, and it is good news that still another channel is open to put it all to work on community needs.

Un-Rezoned

On July 3 a petition was presented to the Planning Commission requesting that the property at the northwest corner of Vollintine and Garland be rezoned from R-3 (residential) to C-1 (commercial). VECAA and nearby residents felt that spot zoning of this vacant lot would detract from the neighborhood and that the petition should be opposed.

GEORGE BROWN, Jr., of 1030 Monticello Drive represented the opponents and won the case handily, with the Commission voting unanimously against rezoning. The hearing before the Commission is the first step in a process that takes the case to the City Council at a later date. It is hoped that the Council will support the community's efforts toward maintaining its residential character.

Scenic Drives

The City Council recently voted for an ordinance allowing for the creation of "scenic drives" throughout Memphis. The intent of the ordinance is to maintain existing residential areas in the face of increasing pressure for office, commercial and industrial uses by preventing rezoning to non-residential usage in the designated areas.

The V/E community was fortunate in having several streets included. Of the twenty-one streets designated, three were in our neighborhood. These were McLean Blvd. (from North Parkway to Poplar), North Parkway (from Dunlap to East Parkway) and Trezevant (from Jackson to North Parkway). At a later meeting the ordinance was amended to include Jackson Avenue from Evergreen to Trezevant.

Provision has been made for the designation of additional streets and VECAA is presently petitioning the Council to include other neighborhood thoroughfares. Among others, it is hoped that parts of Vollintine, McLean (not included above) and Evergreen might be added.

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- 14, 21, 28, Aug. 4-----Special Youth Night each Sunday at Evergreen Presbyterian Church. There will be a theme party and dinner starting at 5:45 along with the service. The purpose of the series is to make young people more familiar with the Bible.
- 22-----VECAA political rally. All candidates who will appear on ballots in the V/E area have been invited to speak on Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Volland School auditorium. Short speeches will be given followed by a question-and-answer session. All neighborhood residents are urged to attend.
- 22-26-----Vacation Church School at Evergreen Presbyterian. All neighborhood children age three through sixth grade are invited for the program which runs from 9-12 a.m. daily. Children can be preregistered by calling or dropping by the Church.
- 28-----BMAG Sunday movie. Orson Welles stars in Citizen Kane, sometimes called the best film ever made. Showtime is 2:30 in the auditorium.

August

- 5-9-----Vacation Bible School at McLean Baptist Church. For additional information call 274-3766.
- All month-----Evergreen Presbyterian Church gym will be closed.

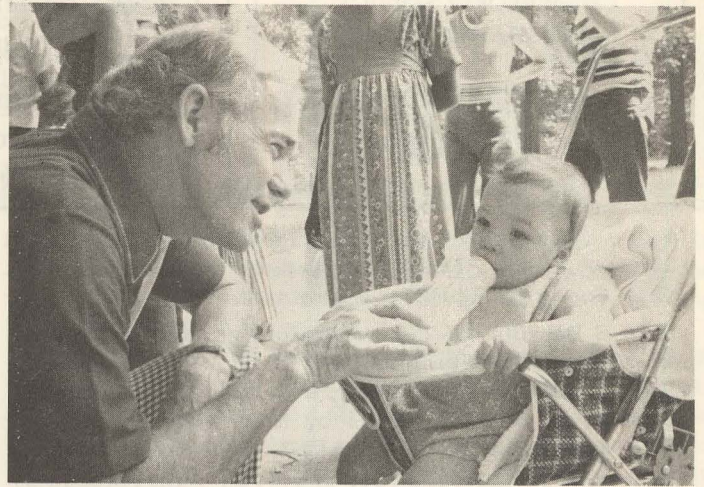
New Lutheran Leader

by Wanda Ryan

The First United Lutheran Church at Jackson and Willett has a new minister, the Rev. KENNETH STRECKER. Rev. Strecker and his wife, MARY, came to Memphis about a month ago from Atlanta. In Atlanta he worked for the Lutheran Church of America and did community relations work in a low-income neighborhood. He has had churches in Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa and Georgia and hopes now to be in Memphis for quite a while.

Rev. Strecker calls Colorado Springs, Colorado, his home. He received his B.A. degree from Midland Lutheran College in Fremont, Nebraska, and his Bachelor of Divinity degree from Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago.

Rev. Strecker's sincere hope is to minister to his congregation of 125 families and to help them realize their responsibility in regard to today's complex community problems.



ALAN SCRIMGER, Jr., missed out on the potato salad at the McLean Baptist Church picnic in Overton Park last month. Here Rev. LLOYD BARKER is helping him with a suitable substitute, equally traditional, considering his age.

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